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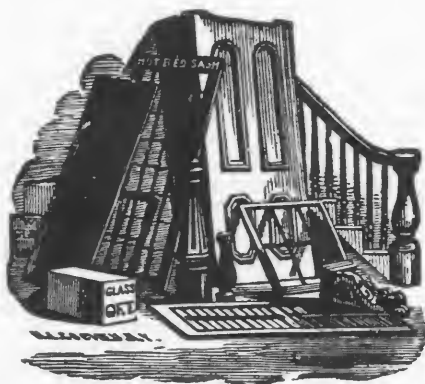
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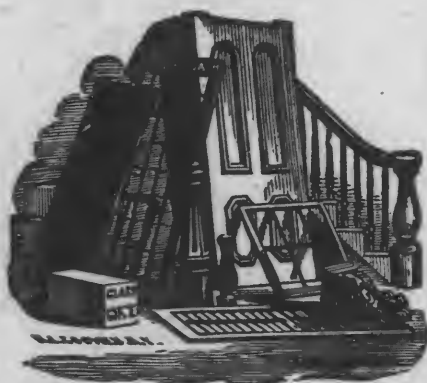
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First Year—S. E. PHILLIPS, T. W. TOMKIES, T. J. NIXON.

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Visitors—REVS. J. R. SHARP, C. E. PELOT.

CONFERENCE REGISTER

[In second column, abbreviations denote the relation occupied: E—Elder; D—Deacon; Sd—Superannuated; Sy—Supernumerary; *—Not Present at Session]

Names.		Post Office.	Names.		Post Office.
W. F. Alexander,	E	Ft. Dade.	B. E. Ledbetter,	E	Glen Julia.
T. S. Armistead,	E	Webster,	E. F. Ley,	E	White Springs.
J. Atkins,	E	Monticello.	J. B. Ley,	E	Palatka.
A. A. Barnett,	E	Madison.	J. C. Ley,	E	Micanopy.
R. H. Barnett,	E	Key West.	J. H. D. McRae,	E	Welborn.
C. S. Bird,	E	Jasper.	H. S. Miller,	E	Madison.
U. S. Bird,	E	Key West.	G. W. Mitchell,	E	Keyville.
T. Bishop,	E	Leesburg.	L. W. Moore,	D	Newnansville.
S. B. Black,	E	Palmetto.	T. W. Moore,	E	Fruit Cove.
E. L. T. Blake,	E	Tampa.	T. J. Nixon,	E	Bartow.
W. G. Boothe,	E Sd	Concord.	W. F. Norton,	E	Leesburg.
F. R. Bridges,	E	Brooksville.	W. H. Parker,	E	Lakeland.
J. A. Castel,	E	Manatee.	H. E. Partridge,	P E	Tampa.
E. C. Castleberry,*	E	Branford.	F. Pasco,	E	Gainesville.
E. G. Chandler,	E	Fernandina.	C. L. Patillo,	E	Enterprise.
J. S. Collier,	E	Mt. Tabor.	A. Peeler,	E	Tavares.
W. E. Collier,*	E Sd	Fort Myers.	C. E. Pelot,	E	Orlando.
W. C. Collins,	E	Ocala.	S. E. Phillips,	E	Micanopy.
D. W. Core,*	E Sd	Apalachicola.	T. J. Phillips,	E	Plant City.
J. R. Crowder,	E	Apalachicola.	W. N. Poage,	E	Ocala.
J. P. DePass,	E	Archer.	A. A. Presbry,*	E	Drayton Island.
C. E. Downman,*	E	Oxford, Ga.	W. S. Richardson,	E	Starke.
J. T. Duncan,	E	King's Ferry.	W. H. F. Roberts,	E	Fruitland.
T. J. Evans,	E	Live Oak.	A. A. Robinson,	P E	Jacksonville.
H. B. Frazee,	P E	Jacksonville.	J. D. Rogers,	E	Ft. Ogden.
C. A. Fulwood,	P E	Ocala.	J. Russell,	D	Seville.
S. Gardner,*	E Sd	Chattahoochee.	C. A. Saunders,	E	Orlando.
E. T. Gates,	E Sy	Manatee.	J. R. Sharpe,	E	Gainesville.
E. H. Giles,	E	Melrose.	J. L. M. Spain,*	E	Key Stone.
J. G. Graham,	D	Green Cove.	H. B. Someillan,	E	Jacksonville.
J. W. Hanner, Jr.,	E	Yalaha.	W. H. Steinmeyer,	E	Clear Water.
E. H. Harman,	P E	Monticello.	J. R. Taylor,	E	Altosna.
R. J. Holmes,	E	Micosuki.	T. W. Tomkies,	P E	Archer.
R. L. Honiker,	E	Lake City.	G. D. Turner,	E	Micanopy.
A. E. Householder,	E	Fort Myers.	R. M. Tydings,	E	Anthony.
R. H. Howren,	E	Waukeenah.	W. M. Watts,	E Sd	
A. Johnson,*	E Sd	Live Oak.	T. M. White,	D	Floral City.
W. R. Johnson,*	E	Grahamville.	R. L. Wiggins,	E	Apopka.
W. C. Jordon,	E	Bartow.	S. Woodbery,	E	Citra.
H. H. Kennedy,	E	Jacksonville.			

LAY DELEGATES.

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT		JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.	
Theo. Turnbull	Micosuki.	J. Wofford Tucker	Sanford.
C. E. Dyke, Alternate	Tallahassee.	Rev. W. A. McLain	Jacksonville.
G. W. Taylor,*	Monticello.	A. J. Russell,*	Jacksonville.
Rev. D. H. Bryan, Alternate	Monticello.	W. H. Garland,*	Fernandina.
LIVE OAK DISTRICT.		ORLANDO DISTRICT.	
J. F. White	Live Oak.	W. J. Barnett	Brooksville.
Rev. J. E. Mikell	Live Oak.	A. J. Phares	Yalaha.
P. T. Mickley,*	Welborn.	J. J. Combs*	
J. F. Niblack,*	Mikesville.	E. Ives, Alternate	Orlando.
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.		TAMPA DISTRICT.	
H. W. Long	Cotton Plant.	A. C. Turner	Clear Water.
J. R. Crawford	Gainesville.	J. J. McMullen	Clear Water.
C. W. White	Citra.	J. M. Watrous,*	Tampa.
Rev. D. L. Branning	Waldo.	G. Murphy, Alternate	

PREACHERS ON TRIAL.

SECOND YEAR.			
L. W. Browder	Longwood.	H. A. H. Crompton	Levyville.
R. M. Evans	Lake Butler.	W. J. Dowell	Orange Springs.
S. S. Gasque	McClenny.	J. A. Giddens	Key West.
G. J. Kennelly	Mandarin.	W. J. Gray	Bristol.
Geo. Lee	Crawfordville.	O. A. Hiscock	Hampton.
J. E. Neal	Mango.	C. N. Inman	Tumbling Shoals.
R. Stork	Madison.	J. N. Jones	Moultrie.
R. O. Wier	City Point.	W. J. Morris	Concord.
FIRST YEAR,		F. Pixton	Brooksville.
B. P. Allen	Kissimmee.	T. B. Reynolds	Crystal River.
J. S. Barnett	Aucilla.	I. Rider	Yalaha.
D. A. Cole	Fort Ogden.	I. B. Sargent	Conway.
		J. C. Sayle	Quincy.

GENERAL MINUTES.



MINUTES OF THE 42nd SESSION OF THE FLORIDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, HELD AT ORLANDO, FLA., BEGINNING JANUARY 6th, AND ENDING JANUARY 11th, 1886.

REV. F. PASCO,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP ROBERT K. HARGROVE.
PRESIDENT.

1. Who are admitted on trial? Charles N. Inman, Henry A. H. Crumpton, Wyer J. Dowell, Joseph C. Sayle, Beverly P. Allen, A. Olin Hiscock, Frederick Pixton, Isaac Rider, Daniel A. Cole, John N. Jones, John A. Giddens, Wm. J. Gray, Wm. J. Morris, James S. Barnett, Thomas B. Reynolds, Isaac B. Sargent. (16)
2. Who remain on trial? George Lee, George W. Kennelly, Robert O. Wier, Robert M. Evans, Luther W. Browder, Joseph E. Neal, Samuel S. Gasque, Robert Stork. (8)
3. Who are discontinued? Wilbur Le Gette, Wm. A. Brown (at his own request). (2)
4. Who are admitted into full connection? Thos. J. Evans, Thos. M. White, James Russell. (3)
5. Who are re-admitted? John F. Marshall. (1)
6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Robert L. Wiggins, South Georgia Conference; C. L. Patillo, North Georgia Conference; C. S. Bird, Holston Conference; W. N. Poage, S. W. Missouri Conference; E. C. Castleberry, White River Conference; Geo. D. Turner, Kentucky Conference; J. L. M. Spain, Montana Conference. (7)
7. Who are the deacons of one year? John H. D. McRae, Levi W. Moore, Jas. G. Graham, Henry B. Someillan. (4)
8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? James Russell, Robert O. Weir. (2)
9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? James Russell, Robert O. Weir. (2)
10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Robert D. Davis, Albert O. Hiscock, Will M. Waller, Thomas Howell, John N. Jones, Frances M. Durrance, William J. Gray, J. A. Cain, William M. Hicks. (9)

11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Henry A. H. Crumpton, Robert D. Davis, Albert O. Hiscock, Will M. Waller, Thos. Howell, John N. Jones, Frances M. Durrance, Wm. J. Gray. (8)
12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Wm. H. Steinmeyer, Samuel B. Black, Edward F. Ley, Benj. E. Ledbetter. (4)
13. What treveling preachers are ordained elders? Wm. H. Steinmeyer, Samuel B. Black, Edward F. Ley, Benj. E. Ledbetter. (4)
14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.
15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.
16. Who are located this year? None.
17. Who are supernumerary? Edward F. Gates. (1)
18. Who are Superannuated? Wm. E. Collier, David W. Core, Archibald Johnson, Wm. M. Watts, Sterling Gardner, Wm. G. Boothe. (6)
19. What preachers have died during the year? Wm. Davies, Robert Martin, Wm. Williams. (3)
20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called one by one, their characters examined and passed.
21. What is the number of local preachers and members of the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference? Local preachers—139. White members—13,632. Colored—19.
22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 717.
23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 628.
24. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 222.
25. What is the number of Sunday School teachers? 1,234.
26. What is the number of Sunday School scholars? 8,626.
27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,100.00.
28. What has been collected on the foregoing account and how has it been applied? \$1,794.25 and distributed among the several claimants (see report of Joint Board).
29. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$1,988.14. Domestic Missions, \$1,310.92. Total, \$3,299.06.
30. What are the educational statistics? Wesleyan Institute, Orlando. Value, \$7,000. Number of Pupils, 64.
31. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Tallahassee.
32. Where are the preachers stationed next year? (See appointments.)

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1886.

[Asterisk indicate the Elders; the figures in parenthesis the number of years the incumbent has served consecutively that work.]

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

1. E. H. Harman, P. E. (1)
2. Tallahassee—J. F. Marshall.* (1)
3. Leon Circuit—E. J. Holmes.* (3)
4. Monticello—J. Atkins.* (1)
5. Jefferson Circuit—J. S. Barnett. (1)
6. Mosely Hall and Perry—Thomas Hendry. (Supply.) (1)
7. Wankeenah Circuit—R. H. Howren.* (2)
8. Wakulla and Carabelle—Geo. Lee. (1)
9. Quincy—J. C. Sayle. (1)
10. Gadsden Circuit—B. E. Ledbetter.* (2)
11. Concord Circuit—W. J. Morris. (1)
12. Liberty Mission—W. J. Gray. (1)
13. Apalachicola Mission—J. R. Crowder.* (1)
14. Professor in Emory College—C. E. Dowman.* (4)

LIVE OAK DISTRICT.

15. H. B. Frazee, P. E. (4)
16. Madison—A. A. Barnett.* (2)
17. Madison Circuit—R. Stork. (1)
18. Ellaville and Belleville—H. S. Miller.* (1)
19. Live Oak and Branford—T. J. Evans.* (2)
20. Jasper Circuit—C. S. Bird.* (1)
21. White Springs Circuit—E. F. Ley.* (1)
22. Lake City—R. L. Honiker.* (4)
23. Welborn Circuit—J. H. D. McKee. (1)
24. Columbia Circuit—J. S. Collier.* (2)
25. St. Mary's Mission—S. S. Gasque. (1)
26. Troy Circuit—J. S. Mikell. (Supply.) (1)
27. Newnansville Circuit—L. W. Moore. (1)
28. Lake Butler Circuit—R. M. Evans. (1)
29. New Harmony Circuit—E. C. Castleberry.* (1)
30. Corinth Circuit—C. N. Inman. (2)

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

31. C. A. Fulwood, P. E. (2)
32. Gainesville—J. R. Sharpe.* (1)
33. Gainesville Circuit—F. Pasco.* (1)
34. Starke and Waldo—W. S. Richardson.* (1)
35. Melrose Circuit—E. H. Giles.* (1)
36. Santa Fe Mission—A. O. Hiscock. (1)
37. Orange Springs Mission—W. J. Dowell. (1)
38. Micanopy Circuit—G. D. Turner.* (1)
39. Bronson and Archer Circuit—J. C. Ley.* (1)
40. Cedar Key Mission—S. E. Phillips.* (1)
41. Levy Mission—H. A. Crompton. (1)
42. Ocala—W. N. Poage.* (1)
43. Marion Circuit—W. C. Collins.* (2)
44. Anthony Circuit—R. M. Tydings.* (4)
45. Citra and Millwood—S. Woodberry.* (2)
46. Ocklawaha Mission—W. R. Johnson.* (1)
47. Grand Springs Mission—T. B. Reynolds. (1)
48. Editor Fla. Christian Advocate—J. P. De Pass.* (1)

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

49. A. A. Robinson, P. E. (2)
50. Jacksonville, St. Paul's—H. H. Kennedy.* (1)

51. LaVilla and Brooklyn—H. B. Somellian.* (2)
52. Duval Mission—J. Rast. (Supply.) (1)
53. Fernandina—E. G. Chandler.* (3)
54. Nassau Mission—J. T. Duncan.* (1)
55. Green Cove and Vernon—J. G. Graham. (1)
56. Mandarin Mission—G. J. Kennelly. (1)
57. Palatka—J. B. Ley.* (3)
58. St. Augustine Mission—J. N. Jones. (1)
59. Fruitland Circuit—W. H. P. Roberts.* (2)
60. Seville Circuit—J. Russell. (1)
61. Volusia Circuit—C. L. Patillo.* (1)
62. Daytona Mission—To be supplied.
63. Sanford—T. W. Moore.* (1)
64. Indian River Mission—R. O. Weir. (1)

ORLANDO DISTRICT.

65. T. W. Tomkies, P. E. (3)
66. Orlando—C. E. Pelot.* (3)
67. Conway Circuit—I. B. Sargent. (1)
68. Lake Jesup Circuit—C. A. Saunders.* (1)
69. Kissimmee Mission—B. P. Allen. (1)
70. Apopka Circuit—R. L. Wiggins.* (1)
71. Maitland—L. W. Browder. (1)
72. Tavares Mission—A. Peeler.* (1)
73. Altoona Circuit—J. R. Taylor.* (2)
74. Leesburg Circuit—T. Bishop.* (1)
75. Yalaha and Mission—J. W. Hanner, Jr.* (4) and I. Rider. (2)
76. Wildwood Circuit—W. F. Norton.* (3)
77. Sumter Circuit—T. S. Armistead.* (2)
78. Panasoffkee Mission—R. F. Mountain. (Supply.) (2)
79. Brooksville—F. R. Bridges.* (3)
80. Ft. Dade Circuit—W. F. Alexander.* (2)
81. Floral City Mission—T. M. White. (1)
82. Hernando Mission—F. Pixton. (1)

TAMPA DISTRICT.

83. H. E. Partridge, P. E. (1)
 84. Tampa—E. L. T. Blake.* (1)
 85. Keystone Circuit—J. L. M. Spain.* (1)
 86. Clear Water Circuit—W. H. Steinmeyer.* (1)
 87. Lakeland Circuit—W. H. Parker.* (1)
 88. Plant City and Bethlehem—T. J. Phillips.* (2)
 89. Alafia Circuit—J. E. Neal. (1)
 90. Bartow—T. J. Nixon.* (1)
 91. Fort Green Circuit—G. W. Mitchell.* (1)
 92. Fort Meade Circuit—W. C. Jordan.* (2)
 93. Manatee—J. A. Castel.* (1) E. F. Gates, supernumerary. (1)
 94. Palmetto and Mitchellville—S. B. Black.* (1)
 95. Pine Level and Fort Ogden—J. D. Rogers.* (2) and D. W. Cole. (1)
 96. Myers—A. E. Householder.* (2)
 97. Caloosahatchie Mission—G. L. Hendry. (Supply.) (1)
 98. Key West, First Charge and Cuban Mission—R. H. Barnett.* (1)
 99. Sparks Chapel and City Mission—U. S. Bird.* (4) and J. A. Giddens. (1)
- J. G. Worley* transferred to North Carolina Georgia Conference.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY.

The Forty-Second Session of the Florida Conference, M. E. Church, South, convened at Orlando, Fla., Wednesday, January 6th, 1886, 9 A. M., Bishop R. K. Hargrove, D. D., presiding, and was opened with religious service by the Bishop.

C. A. Saunders called the roll, and thirty-one preachers and eight lay delegates answered to their names. F. Pasco was re-elected Secretary, and H. E. Partridge, T. J. Nixon, and A. A. Barnett, assistants.

The following communications were read and referred :

1. From Book Agent and Book Committee.
2. From Auditing Committee *Wesleyan Christian Advocate*. (Referred to Committee on Books and Periodicals.)
3. From D. Morton, D. D., Secretary Church Extension Board. (Referred to Conference Church Extension Board.)
4. From W. C. Bass, D. D., President Wesleyan Female College.
5. From W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner Paine Institute. (Referred to Board of Education.)

Revs. J. W. Hinton, D. D., Editor *Quarterly Review*, W. H. Potter, D. D., Editor, and J. W. Burke, Assistant Editor *Wesleyan Christian Advocate*, and R. B. Lester, South Georgia Conference, were introduced.

Upon nomination by the Presiding Elders, the following Committees were appointed :

On Books and Periodicals—G. W. Mitchell, E. J. Holmes, F. R. Bridges, U. S. Bird, W. A. McLain, C. E. Dyke, J. B. Ley.

Bible Cause—R. L. Honiker, E. H. Giles, D. H. Bryan, W. C. Collins, W. C. Jordan, W. F. Norton.

Temperance—T. Turnbull, A. A. Barnett, C. W. White, T. W. Moore, J. R. Sharpe, A. J. Phares, T. Bishop.

District Conference Records—J. B. Ley, J. A. Castel, A. A. Barnett.

Church Property—H. W. Long, B. E. Ledbetter, W. H. Parker, E. F. Ley, J. J. Combs, J. G. Graham, J. F. Niblack.

J. D. Rogers was appointed on Committee on Conference Relations, in place of R. Martin, deceased.

The Presiding Elders were made a standing Committee on Nominations.

A resolution was offered by R. L. Honiker and H. B. Frazee, and adopted, appointing a committee of one preacher and layman from each District, to consider the matter of establishing a Florida Conference paper. Committee as follows: E. H. Harman, D. H. Bryan, R. L. Honiker, J. F. White, T. W. Moore, J. W. Tucker, J. P. DePass, H. W. Long, J. C. Ley, J. J. Combs, J. R. Sharpe, J. J. McMullen.

The Superannuates were called, their characters passed, and names referred to Committee of Conference Relations, viz:

W. E. Collier, D. W. Core, A. Johnson, W. M. Watts, S. Gardner. J. C. Ley was left effective.

W. G. Boothe was referred to same Committee, his character passing.

E. F. Gates, Supernumerary, character passed and name referred.

The following having been duly recommended and examinations approved, were admitted on trial:

Chas. N. Inman, Corinth Circuit, Live Oak District; H. A. H. Crumpton, Hawthorne Circuit, and W. J. Dowell, Bronson and Archer Circuit, Gainesville District; J. C. Sayle, LaGrange, North Georgia Conference.

The Presiding Elders were authorized to employ as supply, W. S. McMannin.

J. W. Hinton, D. D., was announced to preach this evening.

A number of brethren took their seats in the Conference during the morning session, having been delayed en route.

After doxology, and benediction by the Bishop, the Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY.—THURSDAY.

Conference met in the Methodist Church, Bishop Hargrove in the Chair; and was opened with religious service by P. R. McRary.

Six preachers and one lay delegate additional answered roll call.

The minutes were read and approved.

Revs. Jesse Boring, D. D., of No. Ga. Conference, and J. B. McFerrin, D. D., Agent of the Southern Methodist Pub-

lishing House, were introduced, and the latter addressed the Conference.

Report of J. B. McFerrin, as Agent of Colvin Fund, was received.

S. Woodbery, W. S. Richardson, and J. D. Rogers were appointed a Committee of Investigation in case of A. Peeler; and T. Bishop, T. S. Armistead, and W. C. Jordan, in case of S. E. Phillips, on complaint of failure to attend the work assigned them at last Conference.

The following, having been duly recommended and passed approved examinations, were admitted on trial :

J. S. Barnett, Liberty Mission; W. J. Morris, Gadsen Circuit, and W. J. Gray, Wakulla Circuit, Tallahassee District.

A. O. Hiscock, St. Augustine Mission, Jacksonville District.

F. Pixton, Ft. Dade Circuit; I. Rider, Yalaha Circuit, Orlando District.

J. A. Giddens, Tampa Station; D. A. Cole, Clear Water Circuit; J. N. Jones, Palmetto and Mitchelville Circuit, Tampa District.

B. P. Allen, LaGrange, North Georgia Conference.

In the class of the 1st year, the following were called, their characters passed, reports read, examinations approved, and they continued on trial :

G. J. Kennelly, R. O. Wier, R. M. Evans, L. W. Browder, J. E. Neal, R. Stork.

A. E. Householder was substituted on Committee on Books and Periodicals for G. W. Mitchell, relieved at his own request.

R. B. Lester was announced to preach in Methodist, and C. L. Patillo, in Baptist Church this evening.

Benediction by S. Woodbery. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.—FRIDAY.

The Conference was opened with religious service, conducted by R. M. Tydings. Bishop Hargrove in the Chair.

Five additional lay delegates reported present.

The minutes were read and approved.

A communication was read from J. W. Hinton, Editor of the Quarterly Review, and the Conference was addressed by Dr. Hinton.

A special Committee on the Review was appointed consisting of J. W. Tucker, J. P. DePass, E. G. Chandler.

The Bishop announced six transfers to this Conference, (see Minutes, Ques. 6) and of that number, R. L. Wiggins, C. L. Patillo, C. S. Bird, and W. N. Poage were introduced.

Class of 2d year called.

George Lee and S. S. Gasque were continued on trial, (not having appeared before Committee of second year), their characters having passed, and reports having been read.

W. A. Brown of First Year's Class, character passed and discontinued at his own request.

W. LeGette, (same class) character passed, and he discontinued.

T. J. Euans, T. M. White, and J. Russell, (class of second year), characters passed, examinations approved, and reports read. They were called before the Bishop, and having answered the usual Disciplinary Questions, were admitted into full connection.

J. Russell was elected to Deacon's orders.

The following of the Fourth Year's Class were called, their characters passed, examinations approved, and reports read :

E. J. Holmes, (previously ordained Elder), W. H. Steinmeyer, E. F. Ley, S. B. Black, B. E. Ledbetter, (and they elected to Elders' Orders), and H. B. Someillan, (previously ordained Elder), who was continued in the Class of the Fourth Year.

Nine local preachers were elected to Deacons' Orders, (see Minutes, question 10).

J. H. D. McRae, J. G. Graham, and L. W. Moore of the Third Year's Class were called, characters passed, reports read, examinations approved, and they advanced to Class of Fourth Year.

The Bishop submitted the question as ordered by the General Conference of 1882 :

"Shall the name of the Church be changed from M. E. Church, South, to M. E. Church in America."

The Conference voted, Ayes—None ; Nays—74.

Professor H. A. Scomp, of Emory College ; Revs. E. H. Pearce, of Kentucky Conference, and G. Taylor, of Holston Conference, were introduced.

TALLAHASSEE was, by a unanimous vote, selected as place of next session.

Saturday, 10 A. M., was set for election of Delegates to General Conference.

W. N. Poage was announced to preach this evening.

Doxology. Benediction by T. W. Tomkies. Adjournment.

FRIDAY.—3 P. M.

The Anniversary of the Conference Church Extension Board was held, C. A. Fulwood, President, in the Chair.

Opening religious service by R. H. Barnett.

The reports of T. Bishop, Secretary, and C. A. Saunders, Treasurer, were read and adopted.

Addresses were made by Bishop Hargrove and Dr. McFerrin.

A collection amounting to \$126 was raised.

FOURTH DAY.—SATURDAY.

The opening religious service was conducted by J. W. Burke. Bishop Hargrove in the Chair.

The names of the following Elders were called, their characters passed, and those present read their reports:

H. H. Kennedy, E. H. Harman, A. A. Barnett, H. S. Miller, F. Pasco, J. A. Castel, J. P. DePass, J. R. Crowder, E. L. T. Blake, W. C. Collins, R. M. Tydings, S. Woodbery, H. E. Partridge, E. G. Chandler, W. R. Johnson, T. W. Moore, J. B. Ley, and W. H. F. Robarts; also C. E. Dowman, Professor in Emory College, from whom a letter was read, relating to his work in the college.

The report of Rev. I. S. Hopkins, D. D., President of Emory College, was read and referred to the Board of Education, pending which, the Conference was addressed by Professor Scomp in the interests of the college.

The hour having come, the Conference proceeded to elect delegates to the General Conference. The Secretary reported 73 Clerical and 24 Lay members in the Conference. R. O. Wier, B. W. Allen, G. Lee, and L. W. Browder were appointed tellers.

First ballot: Clerical—no election. Lay J. F. White, Esq., and Judge J. W. Tucker elected.

Second Ballot: Clerical—J. P. DePass, S. Woodbery elected. Lay—no election.

Third Ballot: Clerical—no election. Lay—H. W. Long.

Fourth Ballot: Clerical—C. A. Fulwood.

The following Alternates were elected: Clerical—R. H. Barnett, H. E. Partridge. Lay—Rev. W. A. McLain, W. J. Barnett, Esq.

Benediction by the Bishop. Adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—SATURDAY.

The Bishop took the Chair at 2 P. M. Opening exercises by E. L. T. Blake.

The Committee on the Quarterly Review made its report, which was adopted.

Report No. 1 of Board of Education was read. Pending a motion to adopt, Dr. McFerrin addressed the Conference, in

the interest of Paine Institute, and \$235 was pledged to that Institution.

Report adopted.

Report on Florida Church Paper was read and adopted. J. W. Tucker, J. P. DePass, T. W. Moore, E. H. Harman, and H. W. Long were appointed a Committee of Publication.

Rev. D. C. Kelley, D. D., Missionary Treasurer, was introduced, and addressed the Conference. The Conference pledged itself to raise one-half of its assessment for Foreign Missions by April 1st.

The Conference, by resolution, directed monies for Foreign Missions to be transmitted to F. Pasco, Treasurer Conference Board, who would remit to Nashville.

Thos. B. Reynolds, from Parksville Circuit (S. C. Conf.) and Isaac B. Sargent were admitted on trial.

R. O. Wier, having been local preacher three years, and traveled one, was elected to Deacon's orders.

Committee in case of A. Peeler, reported no trial necessary, and recommended the passage of his character, which, upon motion, was adopted.

Committee in case of S. E. Phillips, reported, recommending a trial. Report upon motion was recommended.

Conference adjourned with doxology and benediction.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.—SATURDAY.

The Missionary Anniversary was held Saturday, 7 P. M. J. P. DePass, President Conference Board of Missions, in the Chair. Religious exercises.

The reports of Secretary and Treasurer were received, and owing to the severity of the cold, the meeting adjourned after a brief address by Rev. W. H. Potter, D. D.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

In the Opera House, 11 A. M. Bishop Hargrove preached from II Corinthians, Ch. v, 14, after which Deacons were ordained.

3 P. M. Rev. J. B. McFerrin from Matthew, Ch. v, v. 14, after which Elders were ordained.

Presbyterian Church. 11 A. M., Rev. Jesse Boring, D. D.; 7 P. M., Rev. E. H. Pearce.

Baptist Church. 11 A. M. Rev. D. C. Kelley, D. D.

MEMORIAL SERVICES—7:30 P. M.

Methodist Church, led by S. Woodbery.

E. H. Harman read a tribute to the late Bishop Linus Parker, and the memoir of Rev. Wm. Williams. U. S. Bird read the memoirs of Revs. Wm. Davies and Robt. Martin. Remarks were made by Dr. Hinton, A. A. Robinson, H. E. Partridge, R. H. Barnett, W. H. F. Robarts, and C. A. Fulwood. Touching allusion was made to the death of a preacher's wife, Mrs. W. H. Parker, one of the most earnest, holy, and useful of Christian women.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

FIFTH DAY.—MONDAY.

Conference opened with religious service by A. A. Barnett, the Bishop presiding.

The Bishop presented a list of those ordained on Sunday, (see Minutes, questions 9, 11, 13.)

Minutes read and approved.

Committee on Conference Relations reported, (see Minutes, questions 16 and 17).

W. Davies, R. Martin, and W. Williams have died during the year.

The Committee in case of S. E. Phillips, reported no trial necessary, and his character was passed.

The following Elders were called, their characters passed, and reports read :

W. H. Parker, C. E. Pelot, C. A. Saunders, J. R. Taylor, E. H. Giles, J. W. Hanner, Jr., T. S. Armistead, W. F. Norton, F. R. Bridges, W. F. Alexander, A. E. Householder, T. J. Nixon, T. J. Phillips, G. W. Mitchell, J. R. Sharpe, W. C. Jordan, J. T. Duncan, J. D. Rogers, U. S. Bird, R. H. Howren, R. L. Honiker, J. S. Collier, and W. S. Richardson.

The Presiding Elders :

J. Atkins, H. B. Frazee, C. A. Fulwood, A. A. Robinson, T. W. Tomkies, and R. H. Barnett, made reports of their Districts, and their characters passed.

Dr. Potter addressed the Conference in interest of Wesleyan Female College.

Statistical Report was made by H. E. Partridge, Assistant Secretary. (See Statistical Report.)

The trustees of the Wesleyan Institute at Orlando, made a report which was adopted.

The Conference authorized the action suggested. (See Report.)

E. L. T. Blake, Chairman, presented the report of the Preachers' Relief Association.

J. P. DePass was elected Editor of the proposed Conference paper, upon 3rd ballot.

H. E. Partridge was appointed in his stead on Publishing Committee.

Conference adjourned with doxology and benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—MONDAY.

Religious service by J. C. Ley. T. W. Moore presided by appointment of the Bishop. Minutes read and approved.

G. W. Mitchell was placed on Conference Board Church Extension, and C. E. Pelot on Committee of Second Year, vice H. E. Partridge, resigned, and E. H. Giles on Fourth Year Committee, vice E. L. T. Blake, resigned.

The following resolution was adopted :

We, as a Conference, will always be glad to have our sisters of the W. M. Society hold their annual meetings in conjunction with our Conferences when practicable.

T. BISHOP.

C. A. SAUNDERS.

The Boards of Ministerial Education, Sunday Schools, and the Committees on Temperance, District Conference Records, Bible Cause and Church Property reported. Reports adopted.

The Joint Board reported, and the funds were distributed.

Each District was assessed \$50 for expenses of Delegates to the General Conference. Preachers instructed to take collections and forward to F. Pasco by April 15.

H. E. Partridge was elected Editor of the Conference Minutes, and each pastoral charge was assessed \$1.75 to pay for printing same.

Resolution of thanks was adopted to the citizens of Orlando for the hospitable entertainment of the Conference ; the Baptist, Presbyterian and Congregational Churches for Christian courtesies, and the Transportation Companies for reduced rates.

C. A. Saunders announced that arrangements were being made to establish a Summer Resort and Camp Meeting on the Gulf Coast not far from Tampa.

The Secretary was instructed to furnish Rev. W. A. McLain

local Elder, a certificate of being in orders, his parchments having been mislaid.

The Bishop took the Chair.

The transfer of J. L. M. Spain from Montana Conference was announced.

J. F. Marshall was readmitted into the traveling connection.

The Presiding Elders were authorized to employ R. M. Ellzey as a supply.

The orders of W. M. House from the Baptist, and I. B. Sargent from Congregational Methodist Church were recognized, upon their subscription to our ordination vows, doctrine and discipline.

The parchments of Willis M. Russell, local Deacon, were surrendered to the Conference, he having withdrawn from the Church.

Upon motion of R. H. Barnett and W. H. Parker, District and Recording Stewards were made *ex officio* members of the District Conference.

H. E. Partridge was appointed to make arrangements during the coming year for transportation rates to our annual gatherings.

The Joint Board of Finance for 1886 was appointed, also the visiting Committees to our Educational Institutions.

After a short address by the Bishop, the appointments were read, and the Conference adjourned *sine die*.

MEMOIRS:

BISHOP LINUS PARKER.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, mourns the death of another of her beloved chief pastors. Bishop Linus Parker was born in Vienna, Oneida County, New York, on the 23d day of April, 1829, and died on the 5th of March, 1885, at his unpretentious home in the city of New Orleans.

He received his first religious impressions when only six or seven years of age, and in his eleventh year entered into the glorious realm of conscious freedom from the guilt and condemnation of sin. His religion was infinitely more than a creed: it was a life, grand, glorious and sublime. Christ was enthroned in his heart, and he could say, "I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me." If, like Timothy, he was religious from infancy, he was also like John—a disciple of love. He was possessed of indomitable energy and perseverance, and by his own unaided efforts attained unto creditable scholarship. A happy combination of intellectual and spiritual powers made him a prince in our Israel. Though a logician, yet he essayed not the role of the controversialist. His only controversy was with sin. His life was both a demonstration and defence of the truth. His mental conformation was such that he readily embraced the distinctive doctrine of Methodism, but the majestic sweep of his love was all-comprehensive.

Bishop Parker was an able expounder of the gospel, and a master of assemblies. His rare qualities of mind and heart, resulting from his pupilage in the school of Christ, made him successful in winning souls wherever he went, and through his instrumentality many will shine as the stars forever and ever.

As a writer, he was known far beyond our connectional bounds. Whilst editing the New Orleans *Christian Advocate*, he achieved a reputation for purity of style and catholicity of spirit, which will serve as his monument, and which is worthy of unstinted praise.

At the General Conference of 1882, he was elevated to the episcopal office, and from that time until his death, he was conservative in administration and unwearied in labors. He sought not the high office, preferring the retirement of his editorial rooms, but he recognized in his election the call of God, through the instrumentality of the Church, and with a sublime reliance upon the power of the Invisible, he entered upon the duties of his office. He was present and presided at the last session of our Conference, and won all hearts by his unaffected Christian bearing, both in public and in private. The

Florida Conference will ever consider itself honored and blessed by his episcopal visitation.

The life of our beloved Bishop was short, but it was full, rounded, and complete. He fought a good fight, finished his course, kept the faith, and has been received into the heavenly habitations. Let us follow him as he also followed Christ.

E. H. HARMAN.

REV. WILLIAM DAVIES.

The Rev. William Davies was born in Milledgeville, Georgia, in the year 1829, and died at his home in Sumter county, Florida, in the month of April, 1885.

The spirit of the Lord found him devoted to pleasure and stained with the sinful indulgences common to young men. His repentance was intensely painful and prolonged; his conversion was joyful and bright. From the moment the light of God shone in his heart the word of the Lord became the law of his life, and His service the delight of his soul.

Not long after his conversion the divine call to preach came to him. Willing and obedient, as soon as he felt the anointing oil poured on him he gave himself up to the work of the ministry. He was admitted into the Georgia Conference in 1854, and the following year transferred to the Florida Conference. He did faithful service to the Church as a member of that body thirty-one consecutive years. Under the most favorable circumstances the life of an itinerant preacher is not one of effeminacy and self-indulgence. We all have need of courage, resolution, patience and fortitude. But some of us have harder and rougher fare than others. It fell to our brother's lot to endure work hardness. With a wife in delicate health and often ill, and a large family of children, he served weak, large and laborious circuits and missions, and that kind only. Oppressed with poverty, harrassed with anxiety, and obliged to labor with his own hands and divide his time and thoughts between care for his family and for the interest of the Church committed to his charge, it required all his strong faith and supreme devotion to the cause of Christ to suffer patiently and serve faithfully.

Brother Davies was a man of one work. He was an itinerant preacher doing the work of the Lord; and he preferred to suffer affliction in that work rather than enjoy wealth and ease in any other calling. If he toiled with plow and hoe till his hands were horny it was that he might plow the Master's field and sow the seed of the kingdom.

Our brother was a man of strong convictions, profoundly conscientious and utterly fearless. He did not hesitate to reprove sharply, but he was always ready to give counsel, advice and comfort. He was an earnest preacher of practical truths, and his sermons were convincing, instructive and edifying. He spent much time in prayer, and walked humbly before God, resting on His promises and living in the light.

A brother of our Conference called to see him a few days before his death and said to him, "Brother Davies, do you know me?" With a smile he answered, "Yes; I want you to pray for me." "Shall I," said the brother, "pray for your restoration?" "No;" said the dying saint, "pray that God's will may be done." The brother inquired "if it was all well with him." With tremulous voice he answered, "Yes, all is well!" A short time afterward the faithful preacher realized amid the raptures of heaven that it was well with him.

U. SINCLAIR BIRD.

REV. ROBERT MARTIN.

The Rev. Robert Martin was born in Lawrence county, Alabama, October 2, 1848, and died in Key West, Florida, November 14, 1885, in the 37th year of his age.

He joined the Methodist Church and gave his heart to God at the age of about sixteen years. When satisfied that the Holy Ghost had separated him to the work of the ministry, he determined at once to devote himself to that sacred calling. In 1873 he was employed on Liberty Circuit as a supply, and after serving that work one year, was admitted on trial into the Florida Conference, January, 1874, and was sent to Crawfordville Circuit, where he remained two years; the two following years he was on Ft. Myers Circuit; he was then returned to Crawfordville Circuit, where he labored two years. His next circuit was Gadsden. After finishing a three years' term on that work he was appointed to the First Charge in Key West, and after laboring there with great faithfulness and signal success for nearly three years, he ceased at once to work and to live.

Brother Martin did efficient service in all the fields of labor to which he was assigned, and every charge he served would have been glad to hear he was their preacher again. But the best work of his ministerial life was done at Key West. There he found a field that demanded and developed all the power lodged in his sound judgment, resolute will and untiring energy. The church was in a bad condition; the low stone walls supported a temporary roof of boards that admitted the rain freely, rendering the building unfit for use during bad weather, and unhealthy at all times. That state of things had lasted so long that the members of the Church were depressed almost to hopelessness; while the community outside blamed and ridiculed, instead of sympathizing and helping. Nothing daunted, brother Martin determined to make the building comfortable and to finish it, by the help of God. He went to work at once and worked with a will. The people, stimulated by his cheerful confidence, took heart again. He planned wisely and carried his judicious plans into execution with much prayer, vigorous effort and ceaseless perseverance. He procured subscriptions, collected the money, employed workmen, superintended them and helped them with his own hands. After having brought the building as near completion as the money he had raised permitted, he devised a scheme for finishing it the present year. He mentioned his plan to me only a few days before he was taken with

fatal sickness, and I well remember the cheery tone of his voice, and how his face glowed with joy at his prospective success. Death disappointed his cherished expectation, but that strong, massive, capacious building stands an enduring monument of his faith, zeal and energy.

While brother Martin worked with unwearied industry on the Church, he attended with equal fidelity to all the interests of his charge. He was especially attentive to the sick and afflicted, carrying with him the comfort and consolation contained in the precious promises.

Brother Martin's character was composed of noble qualities. Nature dealt out to him with an affluent hand many of her charming gifts and the transforming influence of the Holy Spirit brought them out in all the fullness of their power, loveliness and beauty. His disposition was buoyant, genial and generous; his temper mild and amiable. He was candid and courteous, strong and tender, self-reliant and unassuming. He professed sanctification several years before his death, and his abounding joy, burning zeal and holy life recommended the grace and enforced the duty of its attainment. He delighted to present that condition of purity, peace and power as the privilege of every child of God, and to persuade them to claim it by simple faith. He was honest when he laid his all on the altar. The consecration was complete, final and forever. The will of the Lord was his will; the work of the Lord was his work, and he rejoiced in nothing save in that. The sentiment of his life was:

"The solemn shadow of His cross
Is better than the sun."

Death came unexpectedly to our dear brother. He used so often to say he believed there were thirty years of good service for the Lord between him and the grave. But when the fatal sickness with its gush of red blood came, it found him ready and sweetly submissive. When he believed he was dying he calmly committed his wife and children to the Lord; then taking the hand of a young lady who was standing at his bedside, he besought her to promise him to give her heart to God. Looking at me earnestly, he said: "When you go up to Conference tell the brethren for me, to preach Jesus, and him only."

He waited at the river the two following weeks, trustful and tranquil; then his pure spirit crossed over and joined the saints in white garments.

U. SINCLAIR BIRD.

REV. WILLIAM WILLIAMS.

Death has again invaded our Conference, and removed from our ranks one whom we all delighted to honor for his unaffected simplicity and sterling Christian character. Brother William Williams was born in Madison county, Florida, about 50 years ago, of religious parents, of the Methodist type, and was converted to God at a very tender age. He entered the itinerant ministry at the age of 19, and with the exception of two years, remained continuously in the active work until his death.

Our departed brother was deeply spiritual, and was always

ready to give a reason for the faith that was in him. The beams of the Sun of Righteousness nestled in his heart, and he rejoiced in a present salvation from sin. He knew nothing of the philosophy of the schools, but understood full well the sublime philosophy of the Cross, and could say with St. Paul, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him, against that day." He made no profession of extraordinary spiritual attainments, but those with whom he came in contact knew that his life was hid with Christ in God. The atmosphere around him seemed surcharged with the influences of a supernatural power. He had no great intellectual riches to bestow, but he gave to the world the sweet and abiding savor of a godly life. His deep spirituality was largely the result of suffering. For many years God kept him in the school of sorrow: in truth, he seemed to be wedded to calamity; but he recognized the authority and wisdom of his Divine Teacher, and studied his lesson out in agony and in love.

Having lived well, his death was triumphant. On account of ill health, he was forced to relinquish his work shortly after the adjournment of our last Conference, and gradually declined until his death, which occurred a few weeks ago. Conscious to the last, his only prayer was, "Thy will be done;" and conquering death, he went forth, a redeemed soul, into the glorious presence of his Lord.

E. H. HARMAN.

REPORTS.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

REPORT NO. 1.

We are gratified with renewed assurances of the success of our Collegiate and Academical enterprises. The silent but potent influences in aid of a high Christian civilization now being exerted by Emory College, and the Wesleyan Female College, both under the direction and patronage of our Church, cannot well be over-estimated. We rejoice to know that Florida is so liberally and creditably represented in the pupilage of these Colleges. .

We confide in the high Christian character and scholarship of those who are thus charged with giving a direction to the character of our sons and daughters. As we are addressing mainly the ministry of our Church, it will not fail of impressing this class when we say that it rarely happens that an unconverted young man or young woman passes through either of the institutions named without becoming the subject of gracious influence.

We take it for granted that our own Wesleyan Institute, located in Orlando, will not fail to receive the encouragement and patronage of our people. We take this occasion to impress upon the conscientious and thoughtful members of our Church, that the duty of doing what we reasonably can to encourage and sustain the beneficent enterprise known as Paine Institute will, upon reflection, write itself upon our conscience!

How often has our Church, aroused to missionary zeal, sung the burning words:

"O'er the negro's night of care,
Pour the living light of heaven."

Let us vindicate our zeal by some practical help in this hour of their need.

Therefore be it Resolved: That a reasonable support of Paine Institute by the M. E. Church, South, along with other enterprises and interests of our Church, up to the point when said Institute may have a school building, and become self-supporting, is a duty binding the conscience of the Church.

E. L. T. BLAKE, *Chairman.*

REPORT NO. 2.

Noting the fact that a member of this Conference has for several years been engaged as an instructor in the East Florida Seminary, and has rendered efficient service to the State in that character, while faithfully performing the duties of the pastorate under the appointment of the Conference, we respectfully request the presiding Bishop

to recognize, in some official manner, the relation of Prof. Pasco to that Institution.

J. WOFFORD TUCKER.

TRUSTEES WESLEYAN INSTITUTE AT ORLANDO.

The Board of Trustees of the Wesleyan Institute, Orlando, Fla., ask of this body permission to sell the present property and purchase more eligible property in order to remove the debt upon the Institution, and hereafter proceed upon a cash basis.

They further ask the Conference for permission to ask for propositions from various localities, for the location of the school after being sold, in order that it may be placed on a larger basis, with the understanding that if the school should be removed from Orlando, the amounts paid by the citizens of Orlando for the present building be refunded to those of them who may desire it.

F. PASCO, *Secretary*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

We rejoice to see a very general advancement throughout the Conference in this department of Church enterprise. A few charges have more Sunday Schools than appointments; a goodly number have as many. Why cannot all do at least the latter. True, the pastor cannot be in many places at the same time, but may not persistent efforts organize and continue a Sunday School at every appointment in any pastoral charge? Notwithstanding the encouraging advancement made, are we not far below the demands of this great cause? We can hardly emphasize this enterprise too greatly. The Church is its Mother, and must lead it by the hand tenderly, faithfully, joyfully to herself, to her Lord, to her heavenly home. Moral and religious culture is far more important than intellectual. The former is the primary and imperious demands of the true interests of the State; but what are these interests when compared with those of the Kingdom of Christ? If the State and the Church cannot have both, by all means they must have the former. The latter alone were a calamity to any people, and the final downfall of any republic, and the wail of an eternal doom to immortal souls. We must remember, however, that the Church is the true mother of all education, intellectual as well as religious—it is her normal function; and woe to the people, to the government and to the Church, which dares to separate them.

Truly "the hearts of the fathers are turning, turning like the tidal waves of the sea to their children," and the universal Sunday School movement is hastening the time when "all shall know the Lord from the least to the greatest."

Resolved 1st—That we will persist in our efforts to advance the Sunday School interests of the Church, by preaching to the youth of the Church, by stimulating the older to a greater interest therein, by endeavoring to lead into the Sunday Schools and to Christ all the children within our reach, by organizing more schools, little or large, in unsupplied fields, even according to the letter and spirit of our discipline.

2nd—That we heartily endorse our Sunday School literature and that we will urge it, including libraries of good books, upon all our Sunday Schools.

H. B FRAZEE, *Chairman*.

(Amendment) 3rd—That the last Sunday in April be set apart as Children's Day in our Conference for special services for the young.

TEMPERANCE.

Time, observation, and the history of our country establish the fact that the manufacture, sale and use of ardent spirits constitute the crying evil of our age. The consumption of spirituous liquors is the most fruitful source of crime, filling our jails with criminals and our court houses with expensive litigation, which must be borne by the honest tax-payers of our country, adding largely to our pauper list, and being destructive to the educational interests of our people, thus entailing upon us the evils of ignorance, vice and immorality. We rejoice that our people are awakening on this important subject, as is evidenced by organizations in various parts of the State to resist the encroachments of the evil. But in view of the fact that this evil is sought to be perpetuated by a combination of inebriate and bad men, with the free use of money and led and controlled by the devil, we can but urge vigilance and untiring and united effort on the part of all good people to oppose it in every way until the blighting curse shall be driven forever from our "sunny land."

WHEREAS, The mission of the Church in the world is to wage an uncompromising warfare against evil of all kinds, everywhere and at all times; and whereas, the Great Head of the Church has uttered in tones of thunder an emphatic "Thou shalt not" against all evil, we, as the servants of God, *can not, dare not* lower the standard. We must keep it where He in His word has placed it. Therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That as true men and Christians we fix our eye on ENTIRE PROHIBITION as the goal of our hopes and our efforts in temperance work, and that while we seize upon each and every possible measure that promises any advance toward this desired end—whether it be organizing temperance societies, lecturing or writing for the press, working for local option, or any other temperance measure at any time before us as a people—we will stop nothing short of entire prohibition of all intoxicating liquors.

2. That we array ourselves as Christian men and ministers against the manufacture and sale of domestic wine, so-called, knowing that a man can go to hell as surely by the use of these as by the use of Bourbon whisky.

3 That we will pray for the downfall of King Alcohol; that we will *back our prayers by our influence, our efforts, our pens, our pocket-books and our ballots* till God shall crown our efforts with success and free our land and country from the curse—the burning, blighting curse of rum.

THEO. TURNBULL, *Chairman*.

BIBLE CAUSE.

The Bible is the world's book. We rejoice that the American

Bible Society is making strenuous efforts to give it to the world that the "earth may be filled with the knowledge of the Lord."

In our Conference the American Bible Society has been the faithful ally of our ministers, giving to the needy the word of God, and otherwise laboring to spread our holy religion. The Bible work in our bounds has been carefully fostered by our Conference, and we are glad to see that the people whom we serve respond willingly to calls made upon them for assistance in spreading these leaves of health and peace among the people. We reaffirm our confidence in the American Bible Society and are ready to encourage its truly philanthropic work.

R. L. HONIKER, *Chairman.*

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

1. We rejoice at the financial prosperity of our Publishing House during the past year, and the wide circulation of its literature.

2. We regard the Christian Advocate a channel through which Christian knowledge is diffused all through the connection. Its presence is indispensable.

3. Our Sunday-school literature is as cheap and complete as any published, and we are gratified that it is being generally used in our schools, and is giving entire satisfaction.

4. With pleasure we commend to our people the valuable books recently issued by our House.

5. We esteem the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, a paper in excellency scarcely second to any published in our connection, and being the adopted medium of our local Church news, its circulation is of the greatest importance, and we note with regret a slight decrease in its patronage.

6. In the Quarterly Review, edited by Rev. J. W. Hinton, D. D., we have a periodical worthy of comparison with any in its line, and a publication which the times and the Church demands. Therefore,

Resolved, That we will seek to maintain the high standard of merit which our publications have attained, and that we will strive to increase their dissemination among our people.

A. E. HOUSEHOLDER, *Chairman.*

QUARTERLY REVIEW.

Your committee regard the literary character of the Review as comparing favorably with similar publications in any religious communion in the country; and, considering the circumstances under which the publication has been conducted, Dr. Hinton's success has been a great triumph. For us the patronage of the Review, in several aspects of the subject, becomes a matter of personal and religious interest. There are questions of historical and ecclesiastical import; questions of critical exposition of the sacred text; questions of doctrine and of Church polity—in relation to which the minister of the gospel cannot afford to be ignorant or but imperfectly informed. In order to obtain the broadest views of truth, the clearest conception of those profound inquiries respecting the Divine plan for man's salvation and

the Church's work in the world, it is indispensable to take counsel with the advanced Christian thought of the age.

The average preacher has not time to read a great number of books, and he therefore requires the aid of those reviews and essays which contain faithful analyses of the light and truth contained in many columns. A careful study of the best Review literature will be to the young preacher a mine of intellectual and spiritual treasure.

Let us therefore, by all means, patronize a work of high merits established and furnished by our own religious communion. Let us not permit our Quarterly to languish and struggle for want of a generous support. Let us spare the small sum to pay for it. Let us commend the work to cultivated laymen who could appreciate its merits.

"Walk about Zion," said the psalmist; "tell the towers thereof; mark ye well her bulwarks." The faith of the Christian world is built on foundations of truth, and sanctified intellect and learning stand arrayed to defend the citadel in the name of the Divine Founder. We cannot safely underestimate the value of the forces doing battle for "the faith once delivered to the saints." Upon considerations of highest moment let us build up and sustain the literature of the Church.

J. WOFFORD TUCKER, *Chairman.*

FLORIDA CHURCH PAPER.

Your committee heartily approve the project of establishing a Florida Church paper, if it can be carried out under conditions that reasonably promise permanency and success. We have had placed before us two business propositions for the publication of such a paper, which we herewith report.

We are convinced of the entire practicability of the scheme, provided time be allowed to perfect details and obtain guarantees for the successful and faithful execution of the work to be done. We therefore recommend

1. The appointment of a committee of five to act during the vacation of Conference, with power to make a suitable business contract, and to inaugurate the scheme, but without power to create pecuniary obligations binding the Conference.
2. That an Editor be provisionally appointed by this Conference who could enter upon his duties when required.
3. That we report herewith the text of the two propositions referred to, and that we respectfully suggest the following Publishing Committee, to hold office until the next Conference.

J. WOFFORD TUCKER, *Chairman.*

CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

During the past year we have felt more deeply impressed than ever with the great need of church extension work. The cry comes from every quarter of our Conference for aid in erecting houses of worship in destitute places. All of these we yearned to assist, but "No funds" was the only reply we could give.

We feel constrained to urge upon our preachers, and people, the great importance of this branch of Church work. Let all strive to, at least, raise regularly the entire amount of the assessments.

There are many localities where a little timely aid will insure the building of a house of worship, and the advancement of the cause of Christ. Where, if the community is left to itself, no such result can be achieved.

All over our State large communities are forming. Villages and towns springing up. Where, if we could bestow a little timely assistance, great results for good would follow. When we fail, or delay even, others seize upon the opportunity, and gain what we lose.

Your Board has, during the year, aided the following Churches, viz: Seville, \$100; Welaka, \$75; Sanford, \$50; Total, \$225. All in Jacksonville District.

These donations, though small, have greatly helped the cause in those communities.

Amount assessed in 1885, \$720; paid \$547.13; deficit, \$172.87.

The Board trusts that during the incoming year the hearts of our people will be filled with zeal for the cause of Church Extension, and many new houses of worship may be erected in the bounds of our Conference.

T. BISHOP, *Secretary*.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

(Items included in Financial Table.)

CHURCH PROPERTY.

If our duties appertain to the validity of titles to Church Property, we find no provisions made by the Discipline to furnish any data upon that important matter. We therefore recommend that this Annual Conference memorialize the approaching General Conference to make provision for officially communicating such data from the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges as will enable Annual Conferences to intelligently investigate and see that titles are legally secured according to the provisions of the Discipline of our Church.

We also respectfully recommend that a committee be appointed to inquire and ascertain whether or not any action is necessary on the part of this Annual Conference to perfect titles to Church property as to form of deeds, and whether or not this Annual Conference is a corporate body under the laws of Florida, and in case that it is not, to report whether or not it is necessary for the protection of its Church property to have it duly and legally incorporated; said committee to report to our next ensuing Annual Conference.

H. W. LONG, *Chairman*.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your committee on District Conference Records are glad to report that for the past year these records have been efficiently and faithfully kept. Neatness and care are evidenced, while pasted entries, blots,

and other expressions of haste, indifference or indolence are conspicuous for their absence. We would recommend that succeeding Secretaries "go and do likewise."

J. B. LEY, *Chairman.*

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

Amounts received from several charges for Conference claimants, (see statistical report).....\$1794.25
Amount from Calvin Fund..... 10.80

Total\$1805.05

AMOUNTS DISTRIBUTED:

PREACHERS.

A. Johnson.....\$ 64.00	Mrs. E. J. Knight.....\$ 64.00
D. W. Core..... 96.00	" J. A. Wiggins..... 96.00
S. Gardner, self..... 30.60	" G. C. Leavel..... 96.00
S. Gardner, wife..... 30.60	" S. A. McCook..... 96.00
W. M. Watts..... 128.00	" J. M. Stokes..... 96.00
W. E. Collier..... 96.00	" S. L. Smith..... 96.00
W. G. Boothe..... 10.60	" E. I. Smith..... 96.00
	" O. Eady..... 96.00
	" I. Munden..... 96.00
	" J. J. Seally..... 96.00
	" T. H. Capers..... 32.00
	Total..... 1799.80
	Error in count..... 5.25
	\$1805.05

WIDOWS.

Mrs. J. W. Rhodes..... 64.00
" J. J. Richards..... 64.00
" G. Bright..... 64.00
" T. Taylor..... 64.00
" T. W. Cooper..... 64.00
" J. Penny..... 64.00

FOR BISHOPS.

Amount received from several charges.....\$305.73.
Paid to Bishop Hargrove..... 305.73.

E. J. HOLMES, *Secretary.*

H. W. LONG, *Chairman.*

TRUSTEES OF THE PREACHERS' RELIEF FUND.

That, having obtained an Act of Incorporation from the State Legislature, a meeting was held in Jacksonville on the 25th of March last, at which E. L. T. Blake was elected President, T. W. Moore, Secretary, and C. M. Brown, Treasurer.

The Trustees have received a gift of \$1,000—from Bro. C. M. Brown. The interest on this sum, from 1st April to 1st December, 1885, at 8%, amounting to \$53.33 has been paid and appropriated.

During the present session of the Conference, several brethren have handed us small sums, amounting to \$3.50, so that the principal of the fund now amounts to \$1,003.50. We hope for a large increase during the coming year.

E. L. T. BLAKE, *President.*

T. W. MOORE, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF MISSIONARY TREASURER.

F. Pasco in account with Board of Missions Florida Conference.

DR.

Jan. 7.	Amount on hand,	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 40.00
	To amount from Tallahassee District,	-	-	-	-	-	266.62
	" " " Live Oak	"	-	-	-	-	194.78

To amount from Gainesville District,	-	-	-	196.83
" " " Jacksonville "	-	-	-	167.40
" " " Orlando "	-	-	-	228.79
" " " Tampa "	-	-	-	256.50
Total,	-	-	-	\$1350.92

CR.

Jan. 7. Draft of C. A. Fulwood, P. E.	-	-	-	\$175.00
" " H. E. Partridge,	-	-	-	162.50
Total,	-	-	-	\$337.50
Jan. 7. On hand.	-	-	-	\$1013.42

F. Pasco in account with Parent Board of Missions.

1886.

DR.

Jan. 7. To amount from Tallahassee District,	-	-	\$357.17
" " " Live Oak "	-	-	203.62
" " " Gainesville "	-	-	346.00
" " " Jacksonville "	-	-	259.93
" " " Orlando "	-	-	385.57
" " " Tampa "	-	-	435.85
Total,	-	-	\$1988.14

1886.

DR.

Jan. 7. To amount of drafts cashed,	-	-	\$755.00
" cash forwarded D. C. Kelley,	-	-	677.00
" amounts forwarded during the year,	-	-	542.12
" expense on draft,	-	-	1.25
" uncurrent funds,	-	-	.45
" amount on hand for expenses,	-	-	12.32
Total,	-	-	\$1988.14

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE FLORIDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

MRS. C. A. FULWOOD, *President*. MISS LOUISA TUCKER, *Corresponding Secretary*. MRS. R. L. MCCONATHY, *Recording Secretary*. MRS. T. HARTRIDGE, *Treasurer*. MRS. G. W. FRAZIER, *Auditor*.

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.—Mrs. T. Turnbull, Vice-President.

1885. Auxiliaries.	Corresponding Secretary.	Amounts Raised.	From Juveniles.	Total.
Tallahassee	Mrs. T. B. Byrd	\$ 16.40	.....	\$ 16.40
Monticello	" C. T. Carroll	37.10	.....	37.10
Apalachicola	" M. Harrison .....	.....	.....	.....
Miccosukie	Miss Corinne Turnbull..	16.75	.....	16.75
Mt. Pleasant.....	Mrs. M. J. Howe.....	19.15	\$ 3.60	22.75
Centerville	" J. W. Gramling....	15.65	.....	15.65
Hebron.....	Miss R. Mayton.....	.....	.....	.....
Siloam.....	Mrs. H. E. Dickson.....	.....	.....	.....
Salem.....	" Lula Hinson.....	5.35	.....	5.35
		\$110.40	\$ 3.60	\$114.00

LIVE OAK DISTRICT.—Mrs. H. B. Frazee, Vice-President.

1885. Auxiliaries.	Corresponding Secretary.	Amounts Raised.	From Juveniles.	Total.
Live Oak				
Madison	Mrs. J. V. Peeler	\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00
Jasper	" E. C. Rice	35.70	\$ 14.55	50.25
Lake City	Miss T. Niblack	2.08		2.08
Welborn	" L. Mickler			
Newnansville	Mrs. M. A. Spencer	20.00		
Joella	" R. Smallwood	3.60		3.60
Tustenuggee	Miss Mattie Smallwood	3.18		3.18
Spring Hill	" Della Sheehee			
Hague	Mrs. Laura Richardson			
	Raised at District Conf. ..	29.00		29.00
		<u>\$103.56</u>	<u>\$14.55</u>	<u>\$118.11</u>

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.—Mrs. S. L. Smith, Vice-President.

Gainesville	Mrs. J. V. March	\$ 12.60	\$8.35	\$20.95
Starke				
Waldo				
Hawthorne				
Levy Mission	(From 1884)	2.75		2.75
Micanopy	Miss S. Merry	24.50		24.50
Ocala	Mrs. Mary Allred	58.02		58.02
Citra	" A. J. Douglass	17.15	5.95	23.10
Anthony	" E. H. Swain			
Melrose	" McCullough	10.00		10.00
St. Johns	" Kate Robinson			
		<u>\$125.02</u>	<u>\$ 14.30</u>	<u>\$139.32</u>

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Mrs. E. Pooser, Vice-President.

Jacksonville	Mrs. Thompson	\$ 72.35	\$ 4.95	\$ 77.30
Sanford		13.00	7.75	20.75
Moultrie	Mrs. J. M. Hall	35.35	4.00	39.35
Palatka	" S. Deal	11.00		11.00
Sharon	Miss Helen Moore			
Green Cove	" Bettie Wiggins	6.25		6.25
		<u>\$137.95</u>	<u>\$ 16.70</u>	<u>\$154.65</u>

ORLANDO DISTRICT.—Mrs. M. J. Bryant, Vice-President.

Orlando	Mrs. S. E. Chapman	\$ 45.45	\$ 6.15	\$ 51.60
Foster's Chapel	Miss Lina Nelson	87.00		87.00
Apopka	Mrs. S. A. Stuart	34.17		34.17
Altoona	" S. Lawton	7.45		7.45
Leesburg	" E. C. Rugg	43.50	31.00	74.50
Yalaha			20.00	20.00
Stewart Chapel	Mrs. S. Hines Jones	13.90	6.00	19.90
Brooksville				
Ft. Dade	Miss Katie Daiger	6.00	4.00	10.00
Geneva	Mrs. Julia Jordan	66.00		66.00
Maitland	" M. J. Simmons	2.35		2.35
Conquest	Miss Jimime Brown	10.15		10.15
		<u>\$313.97</u>	<u>\$ 67.15</u>	<u>\$381.12</u>

TAMPA DISTRICT.—Mrs. R. H. Barnett, Vice-President.

1885. Auxiliaries.	Corresponding Secretary.	Amounts Raised.	From Juveniles.	Total.
Tampa.....	Mrs. Roby McFarlan.....	\$ 24.00	.....	\$ 24.00
Clear Water.....	" Mary O. Mattingly..	87.45	.....	87.45
Bartow.....	.....	8.80	\$2.35	11.15
Fort Meade.....	.....	3.43	.....	3.43
Myers.....	Mrs. G. W. Mitchell.....	.....	15.00	15.00
Key West, 1st Ch.	" Laura Moreno.....	69.95	25.50	95.45
Spark's Chapel....	" M. C. Bird.....	101.40	27.20	128.60
Charlotte Harbor....	" M. E. Giddons.....	17.35	.....	17.35
Pelot Chapel.....	" M. C. Clifford.....	9.00	.....	9.00
Pleasant Grove....	" L. P. Giles.....	15.25	.....	15.25
Shiloh.....	" M. R. King.....	.....	.....	.....
Pine Grove.....	Miss Adelaide Hendry....	.....	.....	.....
Peru.....	" L. C. O'Neil.....	7.00	.....	7.00
McKay Creek.....	Mrs. N. C. Pouledge.....	78.05	6.75	84.80
Mt. Zion.....	" A. H. Ravesies.....	.....	.....	.....
Pisgah.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indian Pass.....	Miss M. Whitehurst.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel.....	Mrs. N. J. Wilson.....	.....	.....	.....
Miakka.....	Miss B. Williams.....	20.00	.....	20.00
Pine Level Circuit.....	.....	.....	15.00	15.00
		\$441.68	\$ 91.80	\$533.48

RECAPITULATION.

Amounts from Tallahassee District.....	\$ 110.40	\$ 3.60	\$ 114.00
" " Live Oak District.....	103.56	14.55	118.11
" " Gainesville District.....	125.02	14.30	139.32
" " Jacksonville District.....	137.95	16.70	154.65
" " Orlando District.....	313.97	67.15	381.12
" " Tampa District.....	441.68	91.80	533.48
		\$1232.58	\$208.10 \$1440.68

NOTE.—Added to above should be \$3.50 handed to H. E. Partridge, at Conference, with no name on envelope.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

We have 220 Schools with a membership of 9860 officers, teachers and scholars. In eighteen of these, according to Report of the Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Society. (See Report.) There are "Orange Blossoms" Societies, six of which, however are in the list below—marked with a (*). These have contributed \$208.10 to the funds of the W. M. Society. The eighteen in which Sunday-School Missionary Societies are formed have contributed \$562.02. Thus thirty of 220 Schools are engaged in the Missionary Work, and *but a tithe* of the children being trained for the coming conflict in which the issue shall be the Conquest of the World for the Redeemer's Kingdom. How many times have we resolved without a dissenting voice—"We will endeavor to organize in each School a Missionary Society."

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

1.	MONTICELLO, BANNER SCHOOL, (average \$1.01),	-	\$96.54
2.	Jacksonville, St. Paul's * (average \$.93),	- - -	80.00
3.	Tallahassee, (average \$1.04),	- - - - -	79.37
4.	Key West, First Charge,	- - - - -	75.00
5.	Palatka,	- - - - -	40.00
6.	Manatee,	- - - - -	37.10
7.	Ocala,	- - - - -	32.00
8.	Key West, Spark's Chapel, *	- - - - -	23.40
9.	Leon Circuit, School,	- - - - -	18.66
10.	Lake City,	- - - - -	17.00
11.	LaVilla,	- - - - -	15.00
12.	Madison,	- - - - -	10.60
12.	Pine Level, *	- - - - -	10.00
14.	Bronson and Archer Circuit Schools,	- - - - -	9.45
15.	Sanford, *	- - - - -	7.75
16.	Clear Water,	- - - - -	4.40
17.	Waukeenah,	- - - - -	3.00
18.	Anthony,	- - - - -	2.75
Total,			\$562.02

MISSIONARY SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We have had supervision of and extended aid to the following Missions:

ST. AUGUSTINE—Rev. L. W. Moore, P. C., reports 4 Appointments; 2 Churches; 81 members; 18 accessions; 3 S. Schools, with 113 pupils, officers and teachers. Paid P. C., \$136, P. E., \$30. The Mission has improved. We recommend its continuance.

TAVARES—Rev. R. O. Wier, Pastor, reports 4 appointments; 1 Church, built present year; 51 members; 17 accessions; 1 S. School, with 25 pupils and teachers. About two-thirds of the Conference collections were paid, aggregating \$20.75. Paid P. C. \$135 and P. E. \$14.70.

INDIAN RIVER—Rev. S. B. Black, P. C., reports membership of 34; accessions 4; collections all in full; paid P. C. \$217; average amount paid per member \$8.00; raised for all purposes \$270.10.

KISSIMMEE—Rev. T. M. White, P. C. This mission embraces the growing town of Kissimmee, on the South Florida Railroad, and two other points. Number of members 79; accessions 13; S. Schools 2; officers, teachers and pupils 79. All the Conference claims in excess. Paid P. C. and P. E. \$395.

PANASOFFKEE MISSION—Served by Rev. R. Mountain. Has 4 organized societies; 152 members; 2 S. Schools with 60 teachers and pupils; 3 Churches valued at \$900; paid P. C. \$185 and P. E. \$14.

LAKE CITY—Rev. R. L. Honiker, P. C., reports 25 members, 25 per cent. being additions of the present year; the S. S. has 75 pupils and 8 officers and teachers; raised for building \$1,111.00; paid P. C. and P. E. \$275.

CRAWFORDVILLE AND CARABELLE MISSION—Was served by Rev. W. J. Gray. Has 236 members; number of accessions 11; S. Schools 7, with 162 in attendance; Churches 3, valued at \$1,050; paid P. C. and P. E. \$225. About one-half of collections raised.

PALATKA MISSION—Rev. Jno. B. Ley, Pastor, reports the work prospering. Membership increased 25 per cent; financial strength 33 per cent; collections all in excess; new church under way to cost \$3,500. The field is important but the membership small. In a few years it will be self-sustaining.

GREEN COVE AND MANDARIN—Rev. T. W. Moore, P. C., reports 4 congregations, 95 members; 4 S. Schools with 152 in attendance; 19 accessions. The Mission paid all its assessments. Paid P. C. and P. E. \$300.

MIDWAY MISSION—Served by Rev. Rob't Stork. Has 64 members, 29 added present year; number of S. Schools 1 with 25 in attendance; Parsonage valued at \$600.00; paid pastors \$315.75; about 45 per cent. of collections raised; number of organized societies 3.

LAVILLA AND BROOKLYN—Rev. H. B. Somelian, P. C., reports the Mission in good condition. Net increase 9; Baptisms 13; 1 Church valued at \$2,500.00; collections all in full.

CALOOSA HATCHEE—Geo. J. Kennelly, P. C., reports increase 7; Baptisms 3; S. Schools 2 with 42 Pupils; paid P. C. \$126 and P. E. \$17; about 75 per cent. of collections paid. This field is important.

(Others not reported.)

T. W. TOMKIES, Secretary.

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Con. Claim'nts	Bishops.	Church Extension	Educa- tion.	Gen. Con. Del's
Tallahassee	\$325.00	\$450.00	\$500.00	\$50.00	\$117.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Live Oak	225.00	375.00	500.00	50.00	117.00	100.00	50.00
Gainesville	200.00	375.00	500.00	50.00	117.00	100.00	50.00
Jacksonville	200.00	375.00	500.00	50.00	117.00	100.00	50.00
Orlando	250.00	450.00	500.00	50.00	117.00	100.00	50.00
Tampa	300.00	475.00	500.00	50.00	117.00	100.00	50.00
Total	\$1500.00	\$2500.00	\$3000.00	\$300.00	\$702.00	\$600.00	\$300.00

F. PASCO, Conference Secretary.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE MINUTES.

The Minutes have cost much painstaking labor. They are accurate, so far as care on the part of the Editor can make them so. They would have been issued four weeks earlier had the money been in hand from the preachers. We hope they will be read, and some parts of them studied, not only by the preachers, but by the members of the Church. Take, for instance, the amount paid your preacher and Presiding Elder by your charge, and divide it by the number of members; then subtract it from the amount assessed as necessary to support the ministry. You will see then how much more the preacher pays than the average member.

We trust these Minutes will be distributed—all of them.

The printers, Sanford Publishing Company, have done their work well.

A SUGGESTION.

Just before the next Conference let every preacher raise one or two dollars from his charge for next year's Minutes.

PAID IN FULL.

Eleven charges paid all claims in full, and deserve especial mention, viz: Tallahassee, Monticello, Gainesville, Hawthorne Circuit, St. Pauls—Jacksonville, Palatka, Lake Jessup Circuit, Fort Reed Circuit, Pine Level Circuit, First Charge—Key West, Sparks Chapel. The preachers who raised their collections in full appear in statistical table No. II. Orlando District, showing the largest number.

AVERAGES.

The average salary of pastors in the several Districts was as follows: Tallahassee, \$343; Live Oak, \$305; Gainesville, \$430; Jacksonville, \$285; Orlando, \$304; Tampa, \$397.

The average *per capita* paid on the collections was, (following the above order), 1—43 cents; 2—25 cents; 3—59 cents; 4—66 cents; 5—47 cents; 6—45 cents. Thus according to averages, in salary Gainesville District stands No. 1, and Jacksonville No. 6, and in the collections Jacksonville is No. 1, and Live Oak No. 6.

Tampa District raised the largest amount on the collections; raised over its full assessment for Missions, and raised its Educational assessment in full.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Both General and Annual Conferences resolved to try to have raised \$1.00 per church for this organization in its grand work of spreading the Scriptures. Every preacher in the Florida Conference has *voted* to raise this small amount. It may be well to study the last column in Table II.

EDUCATION OF YOUNG MINISTERS.

The Conference has three young men at Emory College, studying to prepare for work among us. It is a standing order of this body that the Presiding Elders take the Educational Collection. It may also be well to study that column in Table II.

EARLY COLLECTIONS.

By pledge of most of the preachers, and by the need of the cause: Foreign Missions, at least one-half by April 1. By order of the Conference: for Expenses of Delegates to General Conference, by April 15. These two to be remitted to Rev. F. Pasco, Gainesville.

Publication of the Minutes, \$1.75 on each charge to be remitted to Rev. H. E. Partridge, Tampa, at once if possible.

Church Extension, by May: This is called for by the Central Board; is needed; and may help us in Florida this year. Remit to Rev. C. A. Saunders, Treasurer, Orlando, Fla.

REPORTS.

The accuracy of our statistics depends first upon accurate, full and legible reports from every charge. Every year, in absence of reports from one or more charges, the Statistical Secretary has to glean items from the Minutes of the previous year. The law makes it the duty of the Presiding Elder "to procure at the Fourth Quarterly Conference full statistics in case the

preacher in charge fails to report." If this was done we would always have a report (if not full) from every charge. The preachers should fill out every item; some, for instance, leave assessments blank, when that is the most certain column in all the report. Let there be care to have the amounts reported tally with the amounts paid in; for the Secretary always has to correct his report by the reports of the different Treasurers.

Finally, let the reports be in on the *first day, morning session*. The compiling and summing up of the statistics from ninety charges is no small matter, and delay makes haste, and haste endangers accuracy.

"THE FLORIDA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE."

The Committee appointed by the Florida Conference to inaugurate a Florida Conference religious journal, upon call of J. W. Tucker, met in Palatka, Fla., February 2, 1886. Present, J. Wofford Tucker, T. W. Moore, and H. E. Partridge. J. W. Tucker was elected Chairman, and H. E. Partridge, Secretary. J. P. DePass, Editor-elect, was also present.

After prayer, led by the Chairman, propositions to publish the paper were presented from the Southern Sun Publishing Company, of Palatka, represented by Mr. Wyllly, and from the Sanford Publishing Company, of Sanford, Fla., represented by Mr. Blaine.

After a full and careful consideration of the propositions and the facts connected with them, as detailed by the respective representatives, the proposition of the Sanford Publishing Company was accepted and the Chairman instructed to contract with that Company to publish the paper for the term of four years.

J. W. Tucker and T. W. Moore were appointed to prepare a prospectus to be issued as soon as possible.

It was resolved to recommend to the Conference the appointment of a Standing Committee on Publication, to hold office for three years from next session.

J. W. TUCKER, *Chairman*.

H. E. PARTRIDGE, *Secretary*.

STATISTICAL

MEMBERSHIP, ADDITIONS, ETC.

PASTORAL CHARGES.	Mem' ship | Additions | Removals, Etc. | Baptisms									
	Organized Societies.	Local Preachers.	White Members.	On Profession.	Certificate of Restoration.	With Certificate.	Died.	Expelled or Dropped.	Infants.	Adults.
TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.										
Tallahassee	1	1	156	4	17	2	4	7	13	8
Leon Circuit	2		133	15	6	4	5	1	2	7
Monticello	1		158	16	9	3	2		2	7
Jefferson Circuit	4	1	145	11	2	5	7		2	4
Greenville and Perry	5		97	14	6	2	1		7	4
Waukeenah Circuit	6	3	320	5	1	2			2	5
Wakulla and Carabelle Mission	9	2	*234	11		3		2	16	2
Quincy	1		265	3		1	2			3
Gadsden Circuit	7	4	302	12	24	2	2	2	10	6
Concord Circuit	5	2	263	76		1	1		3	19
Liberty Mission	6		*123	17	3	2	4		11	4
†Apalachicola Mission	1		104							
Total	48	13	2360	184	68	30	34	12	68	67
LIVE OAK DISTRICT.										
Madison	1		97	13	24	6		1	9	6
Madison Circuit	4		346	10	3	7	1		1	1
Ellaville and Belleville Circuit	5	3	*248	4	2	12		2	6	2
Live Oak and Brandford	2	6	219	60	54	17	3	1	7	44
Jasper Circuit	4	1	156	10	2	8			3	4
White Springs Circuit	2		136	12						3
Lake City	1	2	113	28			2	1	5	2
Welborn Circuit	5	4	486	47	5	3	4		12	21
Columbia Circuit	5	1	385	31	8	12	6	2	26	15
St. Mary's Mission	5	1	84	7	4				19	7
Troy Circuit	4		*118	28	3	4			3	25
Newnansville Circuit	4	1	230	20	3	1	2	2	10	7
Lake Butler Circuit	6	2	80	10			2			
New Harmony Circuit	4		164	60	10	6	2		21	16
Corinth Circuit	5	2	205	20	3	1	4	1	8	13
Total	57	23	3067	360	129	77	26	10	130	172
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.										
Gainesville	1	1	162	4	38	22	3	2	17	15
Stark and Waldo	2	3	62	11	11	5	4	2	1	3
Hawthorne Circuit	5	2	*281	30	10	9	2	1	18	10
Micanopy Circuit	6	3	251	54	38	9	3		12	21
Bronson and Archer Circuit	4	2	240	75	17	3	4		5	32
Cedar Keys	2	1	43	10	4	3				3
Levy Mission	5	2	130	19	6		3		6	8
Ocala	1		*119	7	12	16	4		2	2
Marion Circuit	3	2	108	6	27	1	1		16	
Anthony Circuit	6	4	213	35	27	9	3		4	14
Citra and Millwood	2		75	4	13	1	2		3	1
Ocklawaha Mission	6		128	6	8	2	3			4
Total	43	20	1812	261	211	80	32	5	84	113
JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.										
Jacksonville—St. Pauls	1	3	198	5	37	14	1		4	1
LaVilla and Brooklyn	2		69	5	10	6	2		13	
Duval Mission	5	2	126	63	2	3	1	2	24	8
Fernandina	1		54	1	1	2	2		6	
Nassau Mission	7		149	26	5	3	1	2	15	11
Middleberg Mission	3	3	68	8			1		4	1
Green Cove and Mandarin	3	1	95	6	13	3	2		6	2
Palatka	2	3	106	13	18	5	3		5	3
St. Augustine Mission	4	3	81	18		1	2		5	9
Fruitland Circuit	3	1	115	14	16	3	3	1	8	6
Midway Circuit	3	1	92	22	7			2	14	3
Volusia Circuit	5	1	131	25	6	6	1	7	10	19
Drayton Island and Georgetown										
Sanford	1		43		12		1		1	1
Total	40	18	1327	216	125	46	30	14	118	64

TABLE No. 1.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHURCH PROPERTY.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.					CHURCH PROPERTY.							
Number Schools.	Officers Teachers.	Scholars.	No. joined Church.	Volumes in Library.	No. Churches.	Value.	Value Fixtures.	No. Parsonages.	Value.	Value Furniture.	Value Lots, Etc.	Description.
1	14	62		200	1	\$ 6000	\$ 800	1	\$ 2500	\$ 500	\$ 100	
4	18	96	10	197	2	4500	120	1	300		100	
1	15	80	7	200	1	2000	100	1	1500	50		
					4	800		1	300			
4	8	145	5		4	600	80					
3	20	150	2	100	5	1000		1	300	50	20	7 Lots.
7	24	138	3	120	9	1050		1	400			
1	10	48	1	210	1	2000	80	1	1000		100	1 Lot.
4	15	150	6	36	4	1500	25	1	700	30	20	
3	25	135	18		4	750	40	1	500	30	25	
					3	350		1	300	75		
1	12	180			1	3000		1	700		130	
29	161	1184	52	1063	39	\$23850	\$ 1245	11	\$ 8500	\$ 735	\$ 725	
1	12	71	2	30	1	\$ 1700	\$ 40	1	\$ 700	\$ 130		
2	8	46			4	2000		1	400	100		
2	8	50	1	110	1	2000						
2	20	100			2	2200		1	1500			
2	10	83			2	1500	75				10	1 Lot.
1	3	21	4		2	1150	50	1	200	25	150	
1	8	75	6	125	1	2500	125	1	1000			
7	19	200	9		5	2600		1	500		2500	C. Ground, Etc
2	16	91	19	97	4	1550		1	600		510	51 Acres.
3	10	69			1	500					25	
4	14	100	7	75	1	400		1	50	20	80	2 Lots.
8	39	257	6		3	900	150	1	250	25	50	4 Lots.
3	10	75	3		6	1200		1	200	25	715	2 Lots, Etc.
4	15	125	20		3	1100						
4	16	144			2	800					200	2 Lots.
46	268	1507	77	437	41	\$21900	\$ 440	10	\$ 5400	\$ 325	\$ 4210	
1	16	140	2		1	\$ 2500	\$ 250			\$ 100		
1	6	60	6		2	2600	200			105		Church & Lot
4	20	144	16	150	3	2800	150	1	2500	300	200	
6	31	165	20		3	2100	75	1	1500	200	170	
2	14	116	42	100	2	450	75					
2	7	51	7		3	400					190	C Ground, Lots
1	7	60	3		1	3000	120	2	5000	200		
3	12	90			2	1300						
4	23	194	17		1	500	165	1	800		200	1 Lot.
1	8	45		100	2	2000	200	1	1000	40		
3	10		2		3	1300	60				50	1 Lot.
28	154	1065	115	350	23	\$18950	\$ 1295	6	\$10800	\$ 945	\$ 810	
1	14	81	1	100	1	\$ 3000	\$ 300	1	\$ 2500	\$ 75	\$ 6000	1/4 Block
2	12	78	1	250	1	2500	80			100		
2	10	56			1	50						
2	16	78		300	1	2700	135					
7	36	175	7	258	3	1600	300			75	100	1 Lot.
1	4	20		100	1	500					200	1 Lot.
4	18	136	3	260	2	3000	50				50	2 Lots.
2	13	140	5	100	2	550	300	1	800	100	2500	2 Lots.
3	12	101	14	84	3	8500	105					
2	12	75	8	230	2	1000	15	1	200		300	
4	15	155	9		2	900		1	500	100	700	3 Lots.
4	25	103	12	138	2	750	100				70	
9	55				1	2000	200			600	500	2 Lots.
43	242	1198	60	1820	22	\$27050	\$ 1585	4	\$ 4000	\$ 1050	\$10420	

STATISTICAL TABLE

MEMBERSHIP, ADDITIONS, Etc.

PASTORAL CHARGES.	Membership.			Additions.		Removals, Etc.			Baptisms.	
	Organized Societies.	Local Preachers.	White Members.	On Profession.	Certificate or Restoration.	With Certificate.	Died.	Expelled or Dropped.	Infants.	Adults.
ORLANDO DISTRICT.										
Orlando	1	4	*207	13	41	7	7	10	4	5
Conway Circuit	2		101	25	3	2		11	6	12
Lake Jessup Circuit	2		72	8	9	2		11	3	3
Fort Reed Circuit	2		79	4	9	3	2	16	4	3
Kissimmee Mission	4	2								
Apopka Circuit	4	4	*172	1	37	28	4	2	3	
Tavares Mission	3		51		17	1		2		
Altoona Circuit	5	7	208	47	45	3	2		4	5
Indian River Mission	2		31	4		1	1			
Leesburg Circuit	3	1	150	10	25	4	2		1	
Yalaha and Mission	3	1	73	37	3	2	1		6	11
Wildwood Circuit	5	3	171	33	5	5	2		4	5
Sumter Circuit	4	4	271	26	27	14	8		8	8
Panasofkee Mission	4	3	149		7	1	1			
Brooksville Station	1	2	61	8	14	1			5	4
Fort Dade Circuit	2	3	175	17	23	3	1			7
Floral City Mission	6	1	188	28	16	2	3		15	16
Hernando Mission	6	4	128	5	19	3			8	10
Total	56	39	2293	266	310	81	34	52	71	89
TAMPA DISTRICT.										
Tampa	1	2	203	75	17	12	1	5	10	31
Clear Water Circuit	7	4	334	97	8		6	24	28	28
Plant City and Lakeland	6	3	150	30	10	5		4		6
Alafia Circuit		5	270	13	11				9	
Bartow Circuit	5	3	255	15	21	4	3	2	7	6
Fort Meade Circuit	4	1	176	24		6		30	11	6
Manatee Station	2	2	82	4	4	3	1		2	
Palmetto & Mitchellville.	5		63	3					8	4
Pine Level Circuit	13	4	284	109	3	51	2	2	15	35
Myers Station	1	1	62	4	8					2
Fort Ogden Circuit	4		68	6	5		2		9	4
Caloosahatchie Mission	2		46	8				1		1
Key West First Charge	1	1	345	21		7			60	
Sparks Chapel	1		445	48	15	1	5	4	85	
Total	52	26	2833	457	102	89	20	72	246	123

RECAPITULATION.

Tallahassee District	48	13	2300	184	68	30	34	12	68	67
Live Oak District	57	23	3037	350	129	77	26	10	130	172
Gainesville District	43	20	1812	231	211	80	32	5	84	113
Jacksonville District	40	18	1327	216	125	46	30	14	118	64
Orlando District	56	39	2293	266	310	81	34	52	71	89
Tampa District	52	26	2833	457	102	89	20	72	246	123
Total 1885	296	130	13432	1744	945	403	176	165	717	628
Increase		16	1256	555	142					261
Decrease									131	

*Colored Members: Wakulla Mission 1. Liberty Mission 6. Ellaville Circuit 1. Troy Circuit 1. Hawthorne Circuit 2. Ocala 2. Orlando 1. Apopka Circuit 1. Manatee 2. Pine Level Circuit 1. Myers 1—Total 19.

†From last year's report.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHURCH PROPERTY.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.					CHURCH PROPERTY.							
Number Schools.	Officers Teachers.	Scholars.	No. Joined Church.	Volumes in Library.	No. Churches.	Value.	Value Fixtures.	No. Parsonages.	Value.	Value Furniture.	Value Lots, Etc.	Description.
1	15	157			1	\$3000	\$	1	\$ 700	\$	1000	
2	11	60	8	300	2	3590	200					
2	6	37	2		3	4000		1	50		1000	4 Lots.
2	9	70	2		2	2400	135				600	2 Lots.
3	14	128			3	2250	50	1	1000	25		
1	5	25		12	1	800						
3	20	132			2	1500		1	1200		250	2 Lots.
			1									
3	16	180	5	150	2	2500	150	1	1000	50	500	Lots.
3	24	125	17	200	1	1500	350				450	2 Lots.
4	16	210	6		3	1050	75					
4	23	204	10	100	4	2000		1	75	35	430	19 Acres.
2	10	50										
1	11	60	6		1	2000	2 9				300	1 Lot.
2	14	98	10		2	750	100				250	1 Lot.
3	9	44	11		2	1000					300	3 Lots.
2		40	1		3	1100					4000	47 Acres.
36	203	1610	79	702	32	\$29440	\$1329	6	\$4025	\$110	\$9070	
1	14	85	27		1	500	75				\$ 2000	Ch. & P. Lot.
6	37	257	36	225	5	3100		1	400	100	400	1 Lot.
3	15	110			3	1700	40				200	1 Lot.
2	8	58			4	1800		1	100			
3	23	213	2	132	2	3000	200	1	1500	160	1000	
4	20	91	2		2	2500	80			40		
2	18	79		184	1	1500	75				575	1 Lot.
2	9	167										
10	30	275	40	100	1	150					300	4 Lots.
1	9	60	2		1	1200	50	1	900	100		
1	6	47									75	1 Lot.
2	7	36	6									
2	50	372	12	450	1	12990		1	1500			
1	20	212	12	250	1	2500		1	800			
40	266	2062	139	1341	22	\$30940	\$420	6	\$4500	\$400	\$4550	
29	161	1184	52	1063	39	\$23850	\$ 1245	11	\$ 500	\$ 735	\$ 725	
46	208	1507	77	437	41	21900	440	10	5400	325	4240	
28	154	1065	115	350	23	18950	1295	6	10800	945	810	
43	242	1198	60	1820	22	27050	1585	4	4000	1050	1020	
36	203	1610	79	762	32	26440	1329	6	3325	110	8070	
40	266	2032	139	1341	22	30940	420	6	4500	400	4550	
222	1234	8626	522	5773	179	\$179130	\$6214	43	\$37225	\$3565	\$29815	
22	144	970	280	785	8			3				

§Tallahassee District Parsonage at Quincy \$1000. Gainesville District Parsonage at Ocala \$2500.

SALARIES AND COLLECTIONS, 1885.

Pastoral Charges.	Pastors.		Presiding Elders.		Bishops.		Conference Claimants.	
	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.
TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.								
TALLAHASSEE	\$900	\$900	\$160	\$160	\$6	\$6	\$75	\$75
Leon Circuit	500	458 87	90	82 58	5	5	50	50
MONTICELLO	800	800 25	160	160	8	8	80	81 85
Jefferson Circuit	300	170	50	50	5	5	14	14
Greenville and Perry Mission..	10	116 50	25	40	2	2	3	3
Waukeena Circuit	35	326	50	45	6	2	30	7 20
Wakulla and Carabelle Mission.	200	200	45	25	3	3	7	10
Quincy	300	282 25	55	44 25			20	20
Gadsden Circuit	400	408 65	65	54 20	4	4	25	25
Concord Circuit	400	292 50	65	42	4	4	20	5
Liberty Mission	180	165	40	25	2	2	3	3
Apalachicola Mission								
Total	\$4580	\$4120 02	\$805	\$728 03	\$50	\$39	\$350	\$294 05
LIVE OAK DISTRICT.								
Madison..	\$500	\$451	\$65	\$50 50	\$4	\$4	\$20	\$20
Madison Circuit	475	227	90	33 55	7	7	48	13
Ellaville and Belleville	280	238 66	55	40	5	5	20	20
Live Oak and Branford	800	660 32	65	57 40	5	5	35	35
Jasper Circuit	250	227	40	33 55	4	4	30	30 40
White Springs Circuit	300	287 40	45	21	5	2	25	1 80
Lake City	500	250	50	25	6	6	20	20
Welborn Circuit	500	500	75	75	5	5	30	15 25
Columbia Circuit	550	436 93	95	77 05	8	8 50	55	31
St. Mary's Mission	250	156 81	37	15	3	3	25	2 82
Troy Circuit	400	90 40	35	12 75	2	2	25	3 65
Newnansville Circuit	500	307	70	43	6	6	30	30
Lake Butler Circuit	200	90 87	40	15 14	4	1	15	
New Harmony Circuit	300	150	25	11 50	2	2	20	20
Corinth Circuit	300	197 90	23	15	2	2	15	2
Total	\$6105	\$4271 29	\$810	\$525 74	\$50	\$62 50	\$350	\$244 92
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT								
GAINESVILLE	\$637	\$637 50	\$80	\$80	\$5	\$5	\$35	\$35
Starke and Waldo Circuit	450	309 40	55	46 06	4	2	25	10 30
HAWTHORNE Circuit	600	673	60	60	4	4	30	33 85
Micanopy Circuit	610	523 37	75	63 85	6	8	35	47 25
Bronson and Archer	500	418 63	65	54 42	4	6 25	30	69 65
Cedar Keys Mission	300	232	30	15	2	2	10	6
Levy Mission	200	71 85	30	21 10	2	1 50	10	2 30
Ocala	1100	1100	150	150	7	7	70	45
Marion Circuit	350	332	50	36 38	4	4	25	20
Anthony Circuit	415	231 75	75	46 35	5	3 20	25	19 30
Citra and Millwood	70	413 25	75	62	4	5	35	35
Oeklawaha Mission	150	110	35		4	4	15	8
Total	\$6105	\$5162 80	\$780	\$635 46	\$50	\$51 95	\$350	\$331 65
JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.								
JACKSONVILLE--ST. PAULS	\$1000	\$1000	\$125	\$125	\$10	\$13	\$85	\$87
LaVilla and Brooklyn	450	400 50	40	40	1	4 50	25	26
Duval Mission	195	70	20	20	2	2	10	10
Bernandina	400	341 66	45	45 88	3	4 50	30	26
Nassua Mission	10	246 05	50	21	5	2	21	2
Middleberg Mission	50	34 20	25	25	2	1	10	50
Green Cove and Mandarin	500	270	45	39 75	5	6	21	21 25
PALATKA	400	488 43	45	45	5	5 95	22	22
St. Augustine Mission	120	136	30	30	2	2 50	10	10 75
Fruitland Circuit	425	330 22	45	40 20	3	3 50	26	27
Midway Circuit	30	271 75	45	44	3	2 50	25	12
Volusia Circuit	40	288 09	40	40	2	2 45	15	17
Drayton Island--Georgetown					1		5	
Sanford		115 40	60	60	1		30	30
Total	\$4550	\$3902 00	\$645	\$575 73	\$50	\$59 50	\$350	\$291 50

TABLE No. 2.

SALARIES AND COLLECTIONS—1885.

Domestic Missions.		Foreign Missions		Church Extension.		Ministerial Education.		Educa- tion.	Bible Cause.	PREACHERS IN CHARGE.
Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Amount.	Amount.	
\$ 60 00	\$ 60 00	\$100 00	\$100 00	\$20 00	\$20 00	\$15 00	\$15 00		\$10 65	H. H. Kennedy.
30 00	30 00	45 00	45 00	15 00	15 00	7 00	7 00			E. T. Holmes.
60 00	113 27	100 00	148 27	22 00	22 00	15 00	15 00			E. H. Harman.
	6 35									D. H. Bryan.
8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00			R. B. Hightower.
29 00	7 00	48 00	8 00	12 00	2 00	7 00	2 00			R. H. Howren.
12 00	7 00	20 00	2 00	4 00	2 15	5 00	2 00			W. T. Gray.
10 00	10 00		6 45		4 00		6 00			W. G. Boothe.
20 00	15 00	35 00	35 00	8 00	5 00	10 00	5 00			B. E. Ledbetter.
18 00	5 00	25 00	5 45		2 00	8 00	2 00		3 65	G. Lee.
8 00	5 00	8 00		10 00		2 00				J. S. Barnett.
				2 00						W. A. Brown.
\$300 00	\$266 62	\$475 00	\$357 17	\$117 00	\$74 15	\$100 00	\$56 00		\$14 35	[3]
\$25 00	\$ 25 00	\$30 00	\$30 00	\$7 00	\$7 00	\$4 00	\$4 00	*21 00		A. A. Barnett.
30 00	7 00	30 00	3 00	10 00	2 00	5 00	1 00			J. S. Mikell.
20 00	15 00	20 00	15 00	4 00	4 00	6 00	6 00			E. F. Ley
25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	3 00	3 00			8 00		T. J. Evans.
25 00	25 00	23 00	24 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	5 00			H. S. Miller.
	20 00		25 00		8 00		5 00			R. L. Honiker.
30 00	13 00	25 00	8 00	8 00	4 00	7 00	2 75			S. S. Gasque.
45 00	29 00	55 00	30 00	8 00	8 00	11 50	3 00	22 00		J. S. Collier.
10 00	2 50	12 00		3 00	2 00	4 00				W. P. O'Cain.
20 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	4 00		2 00				J. G. Worley.
20 00	20 00	25 00	25 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00			R. M. Evans.
20 00	4 78	15 00	4 77	5 00		5 00				J. W. Porter.
3 50	3 50	3 50	3 50	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00			J. H. D. McRae.
3 50	3 50	3 50	3 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00			C. N. Inman.
\$230 00	\$195 28	\$375 00	\$193 78	\$117 00	\$53 00	\$100 00	\$36 75	\$29 00		[5]
\$25 00	\$25 00	\$45 00	\$45 00	\$12 00	\$12 00	\$13 00	\$13 00			F. Pasco.
15 00	9 45	26 00	10 25	8 00	4 00	5 00	1 00			J. A. Castel.
20 00	21 00	30 00	34 00	10 00	10 50	6 00	6 50		11 00	W. H. Steinmeyer.
25 00	31 25	45 00	58 25	12 00	15 00	10 00	12 50			W. S. Richardson.
20 00	23 13	40 00	71 45	10 00	14 35	13 00	21 90			J. P. DePass.
6 00	4 00	12 00	6 00	5 00	2 50	5 00	2 50		1 00	J. R. Crowder.
12 00	2 00	12 00	2 00							R. M. Ellzey.
55 00	29 00	70 00	38 00	20 00	10 30	16 00	8 00			E. L. T. Blake.
20 00	15 00	30 00	20 00	8 00	6 00	6 00	2 00			W. C. Collins.
15 00	6 00	35 00	15 00	8 00		6 00	4 05			R. M. Tydings.
25 00	25 00	40 00	40 00	12 00	12 00	10 00	10 00			S. Woodberry.
10 00	6 00	20 00	6 00							T. R. Stewart.
\$250 00	\$196 83	\$400 00	\$345 95	\$117 00	\$86 65	\$100 00	\$81 45		12 00	[5]
\$60 00	\$60 00	\$75 00	\$75 00	\$15 00	\$15 00	\$10 00	\$11 00	*20 00	1 00	H. E. Partridge.
10 00	10 00	24 00	24 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	6 00	*13 25	1 00	H. B. Somcillian.
5 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	5 00		3 00	3 00			J. Russell.
30 00	24 00	30 00	23 00	10 00	8 00	6 00	5 00			E. G. Chandler.
13 00	2 00	25 00	2 00	8 00	2 00	8 00	8 00			W. R. Johnson.
10 00	4 30	15 00	1 55	5 00		5 00				W. G. Budington.
13 00	17 00	25 00	34 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00			T. W. Moore.
12 00	12 10	25 00	26 00	8 00	8 10	6 00	6 25	*3 00		J. B. Ley.
5 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	1 00				L. W. Moore.
12 00	12 25	25 00	27 10	8 00	8 00	6 00	6 00	\$7 00		W. H. F. Roberts.
12 00	6 00	25 00	12 00	7 00	5 00	6 00				R. Stork.
10 00	12 00	15 00	16 50	5 00	5 75	5 00	5 25			J. G. Graham.
5 00		5 00		2 00		2 00				A. A. Presbry.
30 00		35 00		2 00		2 00				H. Hice.
\$230 00	\$169 65	\$410 00	\$256 15	\$117 00	\$73 85	\$100 00	\$49 50	\$43 25	2 00	[5]

STATISTICAL TABLE

SALARIES AND COLLECTIONS.—1885.

Pastoral Charges.	Pastors.		Presiding Elders.		Bishops.		Conference Claimants.	
	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.
ORLANDO DISTRICT.								
Orlando	\$1000	\$ 869 00	\$100	\$100 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 42	\$ 42 00
Conway Circuit			25	25 00	1 50	1 50	10	10 00
LAKE JESSUP CIRCUIT.	425	425 00	45	45 25	3 50	3 50	20	20 20
FORT REED CIRCUIT	200	204 86	25	25 45	1 00	1 43	5 1/2	5 50
Kissimmee Mission	350	346 96	40	38 41	2 00	2 00	12	13 00
Apopka City	550	453 31	56	42 00	4 00	4 00	25	21 78
Tavares Mission	250	135 00	25	14 72	1 50	1 00	10	5 00
Altoona Circuit	550	419 35	50	39 25	3 50	3 50	25	17 20
Indian River Mission	200	217 00	25	20 00	1 50	1 50	10	10 00
Leesburg Circuit	550	475 00	70	57 00	5 00	5 00	34	34 00
Yalaha and Mission	300	252 47	48	24 60	2 75	2 85	22	22 05
Wildwood Circuit	416	342 48	45	39 55	2 75	5 00	20	26 10
Sumter Circuit	500	410 78	64	52 55	4 25	4 25	30	21 35
Panasofkee Mission					2 00	2 00		5 00
Brooksville	371	317 50	48	48 00	2 75	3 00	21	22 00
Fort Dade Circuit	300	305 00	44	44 00	3 00	3 00	22	22 00
Floral City Mission	205	160 95	50	34 50	2 00	2 00	21	5 00
Hernando Mission	200	140 00	30	23 00	2 00		11	
Total	\$6367	\$5474 66	\$790	\$673 28	\$50 00	\$50 53	\$350	\$302 18
TAMPA DISTRICT.								
Tampa	\$ 800	\$ 604 50	\$ 80	80 00	\$ 6 00	\$ 6 00	\$ 45	\$ 60 00
Clear Water Circuit	500	451 00	65	66 66	5 00	5 75	32	35 25
Plant City and Lakeland	500	325 00	50	38 67	4 00	3 00	25	12 00
Alafia Circuit	360	241 58	40	42 00	3 00	1 50	20	17 00
Bartow Circuit	500	435 00	55	55 00	4 00	4 00	28	28 00
Fort Meade Circuit	550	423 00	50	42 90	4 00	4 00	30	15 00
Manatee	300	312 26	40	40 00	3 00	3 50	20	7 50
Palmetto & Mitchelville	225	117 75	20	19 00	1 00	1 00		2 00
PINE LEVEL CIRCUIT.	330	358 09	50	50 70	4 00	6 00	25	30 00
Myers	500	500 00	60	60 00	4 00	4 00	30	30 00
Fort Ogden Circuit	270	110 00	40	18 65	2 00	2 00	10	3 20
Caloosahatchie Mission	150	126 65	20	17 85	1 00	1 00	10	9 00
KEY WEST—First Charge	840	842 00	70	70 00	5 00	5 00	35	36 00
SPARKS CHAPEL	720	720 00	60	60 00	5 00	6 00	35	45 00
Total	\$6545	\$5566 74	\$690	\$661 13	\$50 00	\$51 75	\$350	\$329 95

RECAPITULATION.

Tallahassee District	\$4580	\$4120 02	\$805	\$728 03	\$50 00	\$39 00	\$350	\$294 05
Live Oak District	6105	4271 29	810	525 74	50 00	62 50	350	244 92
Gainesville District	6107	5162 80	780	635 16	50 00	51 95	350	331 65
Jacksonville District	4550	3992 00	615	575 73	50 00	50 00	350	291 50
Orlando District	6367	5474 66	790	673 28	50 00	50 53	350	302 18
Tampa District	6545	5566 74	690	661 13	50 00	51 75	350	329 95
Anniversary Collection								
Total 1885	\$34254	\$28587 51	\$4490	\$3799 07	\$300 00	\$305 73	\$2100	\$1794 25
Increase	\$1185	\$1521 83	\$168	\$182 85		\$1 83		\$113 39
Decrease							\$100	

NOTE.—Small Capitals denote the Charges paying assessments in full and Pastors raising collections in full.

SALARIES AND COLLECTIONS.—1885.

Domestic Missions.		Foreign Missions.		Church Extension.		Ministerial Education.		Educational.	Bible Cause.	PREACHERS IN CHARGE.
Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Amount.	Amount.	
\$27 00	\$27 00	\$48 00	\$48 00	\$11 00	\$11 00	\$11 00	\$11 00	\$	\$	C. E. Pelot.
8 00	8 00	12 00	12 00	2 75	2 75	2 75	2 75			C. W. Braswell.
20 00	20 20	30 00	30 40	7 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	*192 20		T. Bishop.
5 00	5 55	7 00	8 86	2 00	2 70	2 00	2 00			L. W. Browder.
7 00	10 50	14 00	21 35	2 75	2 75	2 75	2 75			T. M. White.
18 00	18 35	31 00	31 66	8 00	8 08	8 00	4 33	* 17 10		J. C. Ley.
6 00	4 00	12 00	8 00	2 75	2 00	2 75	1 75			R. O. Weir.
20 00	17 00	30 00	25 00	7 00	5 00	7 00	5 00		1 25	I. R. Taylor.
6 00	6 85	12 00	12 00	2 75	2 75					S. B. Black.
24 00	27 00	40 00	40 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00			E. H. Giles.
15 00	15 00	24 00	24 00	5 75	5 75	5 75	5 75			J. W. Hanner, Jr.
15 75	17 30	24 00	25 00	5 75	6 00	5 75	6 50	* 29 50		W. F. Norton.
20 00	10 35	36 00	29 30	8 50	4 80	8 50				T. S. Armistead.
4 00										R. F. Mountain.
13 75	13 75	24 00	24 00	5 75	5 75	5 75	5 75			F. R. Bridges.
13 75	13 75	24 00	24 00	5 75	5 75	5 75	5 75			W. F. Alexander.
12 00	5 00	24 00	5 00	5 75	1 50	5 75	1 50			J. R. Mayes.
7 00		14 00				2 75				B. C. Sharpe.
\$240 00	\$219 60	\$420 00	\$368 57	\$117 00	\$83 58	\$100 00	\$72 82	\$138 80	\$1 25	(10)
\$30 00	\$35 00	\$50 00	\$50 00	\$15 00	\$15 00	\$12 00	\$12 00	\$71 00		T. J. Nixon.
25 00	26 50	45 00	47 50	11 00	12 15	9 00	9 25	*12 00		W. H. Parker.
20 00	10 00	35 00	20 00			7 00	5 00			T. J. Phillips.
15 00	15 00	25 00	25 00	7 00	1 00	6 00	6 00			G. W. Mitchell.
20 00	20 00	35 00	35 00	9 00	9 00	8 00	8 05			J. R. Sharpe.
20 00	12 00	35 00	25 00	8 00	4 00	7 00	7 00			W. C. Jordan.
15 00	15 00	25 00	25 00	7 00	3 50	6 00	6 25			J. T. Duncan.
	2 00		3 00		1 00		3 00			J. N. Jones.
20 00	25 00	35 00	40 00	8 00	10 00	7 00	8 00			J. E. Neal.
20 00	20 00	35 00	30 00	10 00	7 00	9 00	9 00			A. Householder.
10 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	4 00		3 00	1 00			J. D. Rogers.
5 00	4 00	8 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	3 00	3 00	|| 1 00		G. J. Kennelly.
25 00	45 00	40 00	60 00	12 00	12 00	10 00	10 00			R. Martin.
20 00	45 00	40 00	86 35	12 00	14 00	10 00	13 00			U. S. Bird.
\$250 00	\$276 50	\$420 00	\$455 85	\$117 00	\$89 65	\$100 00	\$100 55	\$84 00		(6)

\$300 00	\$266 62	\$475 00	\$357 17	\$117 00	\$74 15	\$100 00	\$56 00	\$21 00	\$14 35	J. Atkins, P. E.
230 00	195 28	375 00	193 78	117 00	53 00	100 00	36 75	29 00		H. B. Frazee, P. E.
250 00	196 82	400 00	345 95	117 00	86 65	100 00	81 45		12 00	C. A. Fulwood, P. E.
230 00	166 65	410 00	256 15	117 00	73 85	100 00	49 50	43 25	2 00	A. A. Robinson, P. E.
240 00	219 60	420 00	368 57	117 00	83 58	100 00	72 83	138 80	1 25	T. W. Tomkies, P. E.
250 00	276 50	420 00	455 85	117 00	89 65	100 00	100 55	84 00		R. H. Barnett, P. E.
					86 25					
1500 00	1324 48	2500 00	1977 47	720 00	547 13	600 00	397 08	316 05	29 60	
			35 05	52 00	95 60	120 00				
100 00	49 49	100 00					100 10		57 90	

*Amounts for Wesleyan Institute. † Ditto \$13.90. ‡ Ditto \$11.00. || Ditto \$1.00.
 § Ditto \$5.00; Emory College \$2.00. ¶ Paine Institute, \$11.00.

STATISTICAL

LOCAL PURPOSES AND CHURCH LITERATURE.

PASTORAL CHARGES	Preachers' Relief Fund.	Sunday School Supplies.	For the Poor.	Buildings, Repairs and Furnishings.	Miscellaneous.	Books Sold.	Value.	Church Papers.	Value.
TALLAHASSEE DIS'T.									
Tallahassee		\$70 00	\$65 59	\$367 00	\$147 00		\$	14	\$17 00
Leon Circuit.		28 00			24 00	28	11 00	36	53 00
Monticello		28 00		128 00	92 87				
Jefferson Circuit.									
Greenville & Perry Mis'n			10 00	150 00				3	5 00
Waukeenah Circuit		15 00	25 00	50 00	100 00			28	40 00
Wakulla & C'belle M's'n.		13 50		35 55	9 50	70	33 00	3	11 00
Quincy.			40 00	94 00	38 00			4	7 00
Gadsden Circuit.		20 00	5 00	275 00	10 00			33	54 00
Concord Circuit.		6 75		100 00	5 00	15		14	25 00
Liberty Mission									
Apalachicola Mission									
Total		181 25	145 59	1199 55	426 37	113	44 00	135	212 00
LIVE OAK DISTRICT.									
Madison.	\$	\$22 90	\$	\$45 00	\$51 27		\$16 50	22	\$30 00
Madison Circuit.								16	30 00
Ellaville & B'ville Circuit		40 00		24 00				13	19 00
Live Oak and Brandford				352 25	30 00			17	26 00
Jasper Circuit.		17 00	15 00		38 00			16	21 00
White Springs Circuit.		10 00						2	4 00
Lake City		3 00		1111 00	42 00	18	52 00	12	14 00
Welborn Circuit	1 50	50 00		500 00	27 75			26	47 00
Columbia Circuit				87 75					
St. Mary's Mission.				150 00					
Troy Circuit.				175 00	10 00	48	8 00	4	7 50
Newnarkville Circuit		66 05		92 00	67 75	30	25 00	21	33 00
Lake Butler Circuit.								1	1 00
New Harmony Circuit				1 25				3	5 00
Corinth Circuit								9	17 00
Total	1 50	208 95	15 00	2538 25	222 77	96	101 50	145	232 50
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT									
Gainesville.	\$	\$32 40	\$	\$100 00	\$211 82			31	\$47 00
Stark and Waldo				426 20	55 40			6	11 00
Hawthorne Circuit		97 50		626 00	35 00			41	70 00
Micanopy Circuit.		59 00	15 00	200 00	20 00			30	54 00
Bronson & Archer Circuit		25 00						8	15 00
Cedar Keys.	2 00	40 00			30 00			5	8 00
Levy Mission.								6	8 00
Ocala	1053 00	12 00		33 00				4	7 00
Marion Circuit.								32	45 00
Anthony Circuit.		39 22			21 00			20	24 00
Clara and Millwood		50 00						6	10 00
Ocklawaha Mission		20 00		600 00					
Total	1055 00	374 22	15 00	1985 20	373 22			189	299 00
JACKSONVILLE DIS'T.									
Jacksonville—St. Pauls.	\$	\$ 34 98	\$ 55 00	\$750 00	\$200 00	14	\$14 00	24	\$27 00
LaVilla and Brooklyn.	1 00	71 20	2 30	90 00		20	17 50	3	5 00
Duval Mission			12 00			150	60 00	4	7 00
Fernandina		31 40		218 11	66 55			13	25 50
Nassau Mission		28 61		148 00			25 00	17	29 00
Middleberg Mission		5 00				12	5 05	5	8 00
Green Cove & Mandarin		75 00		174 50	15 00			11	18 00
Palatka		116 60	11 25	2200 00	87 50	30	16 00	21	40 00
St. Augustine Mission		34 00				25	6 25	3	6 00
Fruitland Circuit.		15 00		30 00	140 00			26	48 00
Midway Circuit		55 00		1100 00		30	20 00	52	85 00
Volusia Circuit.		20 00			70 90			8	10 00
Drayton Is. and G'town							35 00	16	28 00
Sanford		85 97		349 83	70 00				
Total	1 00	572 76	80 55	5060 44	518 45	231	163 80	203	307 50

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LOCAL PURPOSES AND CHURCH LITERATURE.

PASTORAL CHARGES.	Preachers' Relief Fund.	Sunday School Supplies.	For the Poor.	Buildings, Repairs and Furnishings.	Miscellaneous.	Books Sold.	Value.	Church Papers.	Value.
ORLANDO DISTRICT.									
Orlando Station		\$ 95 35	\$	\$2700 00	\$114 00		\$	44	\$63 50
Conway Circuit									
Lake Jessup Circuit		30 47		157 00	13 01			20	24 50
Fort Reed Circuit						6	3 60	13	24 00
Kissimmee Mission		20 00		457 75	5 00			15	29 00
Apopka Circuit		50 00		220 00					
Tavares Mission		1 00		478 00		64	85 00	13	13 00
Altoona Circuit		37 81		191 85		44	36 50	10	16 00
Indian River Mission.		15 00						12	20 00
Leesburg Circuit.		50 00		50 00	25 00		20 00	6	11 00
Yalaha Mission		30 00	3 00	1 75	50 00			3	6 50
Wildwood Circuit.		28 00	4 80	75 00	21 00			15	25 00
Sumter Circuit.		41 51	5 00	252 02				16	24 00
Panasoffkee Mission.								26	36 50
Brooksville Station.		9 24		175 00	58 62				
Fort Dade Circuit.		18 00	15 00		15 00			9	18 00
Floral City Mission.		20 00		350 00		24	9 00	13	16 00
Hernando Mission.		7 00	15 00	1100 00				9	13 00
Total		453 38	42 80	6208 37	301 63	38	154 10	224	340 00
TAMPA DISTRICT.									
Tampa Station.		\$91 60	\$	\$	\$131 75		\$	21	\$25 50
Clear Water Circuit		60 00		2914 00			300 00	67	60 00
Plant City & Lakeland		15 00	1 50						
Alafia Circuit				1000 00					
Bartow Circuit.		51 00	32 00	45 00	52 00	212	76 00	33	51 00
Fort Meade Circuit.		20 00	5 00	400 00	40 00		18 00	3	10 00
Manatee Station.		15 75	4 60	4 50	45 50	24	29 50	25	38 50
Palmetto & Mitch'ville		20 00		12 00					
Pine Level Circuit		100 00		150 00		300	150 00	54	51 00
Myers Station		24 00	19 50			12	7 50	7	6 00
Fort Ogden Circuit		80 00						8	12 00
Caloosahatchie Miss'n.		11 75			8 65	1	1 00	1	2 00
Key West—1st Charge.		85 00		1250 00	615 00			16	30 00
Sparks Chapel								13	12 50
Total		574 10	62 60	5775 00	911 15	549	582 00	251	298 50

RECAPITULATION.

Tallahassee District	\$	\$181 25	\$145 59	\$1199 55	\$426 37	113	\$ 44 00	135	\$212 00
Live Oak District	1 50	208 95	15 00	2538 25	222 77	96	101 50	145	232 50
Gainesville District	1055 00	374 22	15 00	1985 20	373 22			189	299 00
Jacksonville District	1 00	572 76	80 55	5060 44	513 45	281	163 80	203	307 50
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